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## **Hartsfield-Jackson and Georgia Department of Public Health Inform Travelers about Zika Virus Prevention**

**ATLANTA** -- Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) officials and Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH) leaders will inform travelers of efforts to prevent the spread of the Zika virus at a press conference Tuesday. With thousands of spring travelers passing through Hartsfield-Jackson, Airport and DPH leaders asked ATL concessionaires to stock EPA-registered insect repellent used to prevent the spread of Zika. In addition to increased access to insect repellent, Airport and Public Health officials are working together to bring attention to the fight against Zika.

Press availability with ATL's general manager and the commissioner of Georgia's Department of Public Health will be held Tuesday, March 22 at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport.

**WHO** Miguel Southwell, general manager, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport  
Dr. Brenda Fitzgerald, commissioner, Georgia Department of Public Health

**WHAT** Press availability to inform travelers of Zika virus mitigation efforts

**WHEN** 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 22, 2016

**WHERE** **Please note location:**  
Maynard H. Jackson Jr. International Terminal  
Departures level/pre-security  
2600 Maynard H. Jackson Jr. Blvd.  
Atlanta, GA 30354

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**Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport**

Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) is the world's busiest and most efficient airport, serving more than 101 million passengers annually with nonstop service to more than 150 U.S. destinations and nearly 70 international destinations in more than 45 countries. ATL boasts a direct economic impact of \$34.8 billion in metro Atlanta and a total direct economic impact of \$70.9 billion in Georgia. The Airport is the largest employer in Georgia, with more than 63,000 employees. The Airport is a frequent recipient of awards of excellence for concessions, operations, architectural engineering and construction – including the 2013 Global Efficiency Excellence Award from the Air Transport Research Society, 2013 Project of the Year, Architectural Category for the Maynard H. Jackson Jr. International Terminal from the American Association of Airport Executives Southeast chapter and the 2012 Best Airport in North America, Business Travel Award from the Business Traveler Magazine. ATL has completed more than \$6 billion worth of capital improvements, including a new, energy-efficient rental car center, a gold LEED-certified international terminal and aesthetic and functional upgrades to its concourses, people movers and parking services. For more information, go to [www.atlanta-airport.com](http://www.atlanta-airport.com). Check out the Airport's YouTube channel by visiting [www.youtube.com/AtlantaHartsfield](http://www.youtube.com/AtlantaHartsfield), follow us on Twitter (@ATLairport) and become a fan on Facebook (Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport).

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