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# Free Grow Your Business On-Demand Webinars!

As we enter the peak season with new challenges from the pandemic, we find ourselves taking advantage of technology more than ever before. With social distancing still in place and everyone making strides to stay connected online, pest control professionals are also finding ways to equip and prepare themselves for the season.

That's why now is a great time to check out our line-up of "Grow Your Business" webinars to consider value-added services to add that are best for your business. We have a variety of FREE on-demand webinars available to you anytime, anywhere. Whether you're considering if biosecurity services are a good fit for your business or determining how you can keep up with nationwide demand by adding mosquito control services to your routes – all our webinars have unique insight to offer and make an impact for you and your business. And when you're ready, a Veseris rep will be there to help!

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# **Creature Feature** Common Malaria Mosquito

The common malaria mosquito (Anopheles quadrimaculatus) is actually a group of five species that are genetically different but look so much alike that it is difficult to tell them apart under a microscope. These mosquitoes are present in the eastern United States up into southeastern Canada, but are more prolific in the southeastern states, especially along the Gulf of Mexico. They are the main vector of malaria in North America. Although malaria outbreaks have not happened in the United States since the 1950s, local transmission does occur sometimes.

**Common malaria mosquitoes prefer to breed in clean freshwater ponds and lakes with aquatic vegetation.** Populations tend to increase after rainfall raises water levels. Their larvae don't have siphons and, instead, breathe through hairs along the abdomen, so they lie parallel to the water's surface. Adults are dark with four dark patches on each wing



and hold their body angled to the surface when they are resting. Females feed on large mammals at night and rest in dark, cool shelters during the day, which are often inside buildings. These mosquitoes overwinter as inseminated females and can be found indoors during late fall and winter.

Apply a liquid residual insecticide to adult mosquito resting sites in sheltered areas. An insect growth regulator (IGR) labeled for mosquitoes can be applied to standing water in items such as bird baths and planter saucers to prevent larvae from developing into adults. Overwintering females should be knocked down directly to reduce the number that will emerge in the spring.

**ProTraining Online course:** Mosquito-Borne Diseases & Adult Management

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#### **Integrated Mosquito Management**

Endorsed by the CDC, employing integrated mosquito management (IMM) methods is the only way to ensure that mosquito populations are effectively controlled, as well as the diseases they carry. Successful IMM programs are designed to attack mosquitoes at each stage of their life cycle.

In addition to using the right professional products, there are also some important steps homeowners can take to help protect them and their family from mosquitoes and the diseases they carry. Mosquito prevention is all about source reduction. Remind homeowners how important it is to tip any standing water on their property to eliminate breeding sources. Teach homeowners to pay attention to the following common mosquito breeding hotspots that tend to collect water in backyards:

- Pool covers
- Trash/recycling containers
- Watering cans
- Old tires or tire swings
- Children's toys

It's also important to change the water on a weekly basis in receptacles that need it, such as birdbaths or wading pools, fill in tree rot holes, hollow stumps and natural land depressions that hold shallow water, and clean clogged roof gutters.

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### **Quarterly Spotlight**

# **Grow your business** Managing the mosquito population



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Managing the mosquito population to reduce their damage to human health is a task that has largely fallen on the vector abatement districts in cities, counties or states across the United States. Recently, however, we've seen that protecting families from mosquito-borne diseases is a model that more and more Pest Management Professionals are adding into their day to day business activities.

As most schools across the nation have converted to online study platforms in response to the Coronavirus, we've seen a decrease in residential indoor pest applications. As families are at home and in their yards more than ever before over the last couple of months, there has also been an increased demand for outdoor yard/perimeter treatments.

Now is the perfect time to venture into this new arena for any pest control operator looking to add a new revenue stream that will continue to pay off year after year. Mosquito control is about managing expectations. Eradication is an impossible task but helping to educate our customers will increase the nuisance threshold as we begin service.

In most cases, the homeowner creates the majority of their own mosquito problems simply by allowing breeding locations in natural or artificial containers in their yards. Eliminate those water sources or teach your customers to tip the water out every 5-7 days. If permanent waters are present, such as a non-aerated pond, there are several larvicides that can be effectively used to disrupt the mosquito life cycle. Barrier applications are a focused treatment that yields precise and economical results when targeting areas in a yard prone to rapid reinfestation. Mosquitos are like humans, in that they like to hang out with their friends in the shade. Focus on those harborage areas where mosquitos will rest – weeds, shrubs, plants and trees.

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Lastly, while ULV and thermal fogging opportunities do exist, they are usually one time events for mid to large social gatherings. As such, we'll skip over those for now.

Please note that Veseris distributes for a few manufacturers that have insecticides and mosquito programs specifically designed to help you with this endeavor. Additionally, Veseris has built a national team of regional mosquito specialists to assist our local sales representatives in helping you succeed in mosquito control. Please call us today to learn more about how you can successfully add this lucrative income stream into your daily business.

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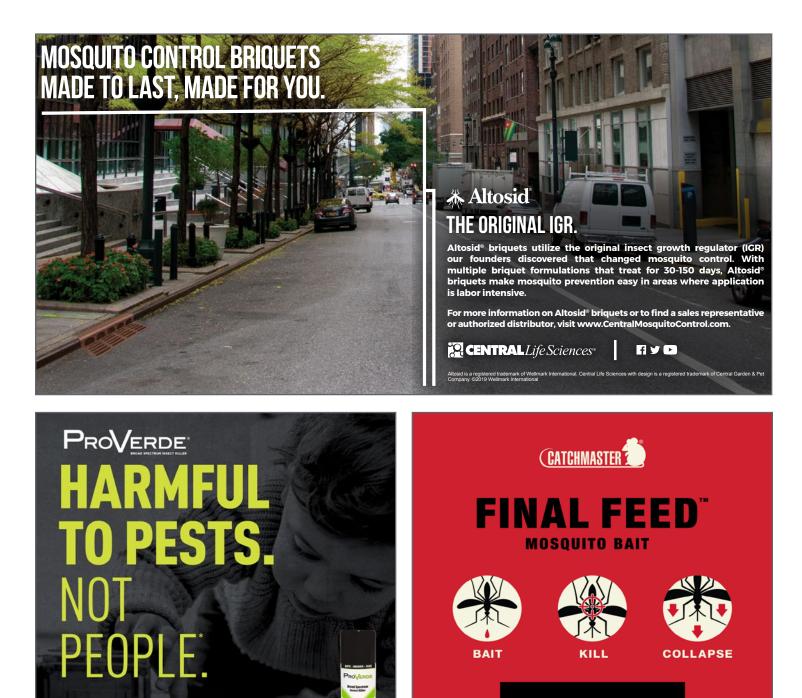
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