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## Videos highlight tick-borne illness prevention on Cape Cod

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The Barnstable County Cape Cod Cooperative Extension has released its first digital video series, “Tickology,” on YouTube.

Larry Dapsis, entomologist and Tick Project Coordinator educates the public on the topic of tick disease education and prevention through 10 close-captioned videos that he scripted and developed. Videos range from 6 minutes to 14 minutes in length.

“In each episode, you will learn something new about ticks, tick-borne illnesses, and prevention. I’ve looked at a number of tick education videos that are out there. This is the only comprehensive education package available anywhere,” Dapsis said in a prepared statement.

The video series was funded by a Cape Cod Healthcare Annual Strategic Grant in the amount of \$25,000.

Dapsis joined the Barnstable County Cape Cod Cooperative Extension in 2011 as the Deer Tick Project Coordinator and entomologist. He also is a member of the Barnstable County Task Force on Lyme and other tick-borne diseases.

View all episodes at [www.bit.ly/tickology](http://www.bit.ly/tickology). Episodes Include:

1. Tick Identification and Ecology
2. Tick-Borne Diseases
3. Lone Star Tick: The New Tick in Town
4. Permethrin Treated Clothing
5. Skin Repellents
6. Perimeter Yard Spray
7. Pet Protection
8. Tick Biteology

9. Tick Testing

10. Deer Tick – The Disease Ecosystem