

Cam, 27

Protecting against yellow fever for 'bucket list' trip to 2014 FIFA World Cup, Sydney

Accountant, Cam, 27, Sydney, is planning to travel to Brazil for the 2014 FIFA World Cup this June and July.

Despite having travelled extensively throughout Africa to various yellow fever-endemic regions, Cam only recently learned about the life-threatening viral disease transmitted primarily by mosquitoes. This is his story.

Cam, a fan of all Australian sports, will be travelling to Brazil for the 2014 FIFA World Cup with a group of friends. They will be making their way down from Natal to Rio de Janeiro, via Recife and Salvador over a period of four weeks.

"I've been to Rugby World Cup finals in the past, but never a football World Cup. It's definitely a 'bucket list' trip," said Cam.

"I haven't made it over to South America yet, and have only ventured to the southern most countries of Africa.

"I've spent some time travelling and living in Southern Asia, so I've had plenty of exposure to mosquito-transmitted diseases," Cam said.

Cam found all of his travel health advice through the Smart Traveller government website and his local travel clinic.

"I booked my yellow fever vaccination appointment two months before my departure, which was much better than my usual last-minute rush.

"There seem to be lots of travel clinics around Sydney, and I had no problem scoring a next-day appointment at one within walking distance from where I work," said Cam.

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For more information, or to coordinate an interview with Cam, please contact Kirsten Bruce or Ruby Archis from VIVA Communications on 0401 717 566 / 041 834 906.