

## **Tips for helping you Survive Your Government Grope**

NOTE: Even if you choose to go through a scanner (which will produce a picture of you naked and subject you to radiation)\* you still may get pulled out for an “Enhanced Pat Down Search.” Before a TSA employee puts their hand on you—**insist that they put on clean gloves and that you witness the agent taking new gloves from the manufacturer’s box of gloves.** Here is a short list of parasites and infections that could be transferred from another passenger to you:

### **E. Coli**

E. coli symptoms usually appear about a week after being infected with the bacteria. Abdominal cramps followed by watery diarrhea are the first symptoms of this infection. The dehydration caused by the loss of fluids makes an individual feel sick and tired. Soon, it causes sores in the intestines and the stools become bloody. An individual might also suffer from mild fever and nausea or vomiting.

### **Staph Infection**

Staph skin infections, including MRSA, generally start as small red bumps that resemble pimples, boils, or spider bites. These can quickly turn into deep, painful abscesses that require surgical draining. Sometimes the bacteria remain confined to the skin. But they can also burrow deep into the body, causing potentially life-threatening infections in bones, joints, surgical wounds, the bloodstream, heart valves, and lungs.

### **Pneumonia, Colds, and Flu**

Small droplets of fluid containing these viruses can be transferred by gloves from one person to another.

### **Body Lice**

Body lice are unable to burrow into the skin. Although a few body lice may be seen clinging to body hairs, most are on the clothing of an infected person. Body lice and their eggs are most abundant along the seams of clothes worn close to the body. Someone infested with body lice typically will have 10 or fewer active lice on their skin at any one time, but the clothing may contain many dozens or hundreds. Infestations of body lice are more common in the winter months, when destitute people tend to wear many layers of clothing for long periods and have more contact with the clothing of others who may be infested.

### **Bed Bugs**

The reason why this invasion is spreading is bed bugs get in the clothing of people at hotels who help bring them to their new homes.

REMEMBER: The Enhanced Pat Down procedure means searchers’ hands run up and down the moist, private crevices of other travelers’ bodies before the TSA agent comes to you. Unless you want another person’s bodily secretions on you, then insist on a new pair of gloves.

Remember what TSA agents are touching

**Ties:** In 2004 University of Birmingham researchers studied the ties of 40 doctors and found that all had potentially dangerous levels of bacteria.

**Hair:** That's where lice and their eggs are.

**Crotches:** At least one gram of E. Coli is in this region.

**Inside Underwear:** An ABC news employee reported a TSA Screener actually put her hands into her underwear. The groping "felt like a gynecological exam."



**INSIST ON CLEAN GLOVES TODAY–WRITE YOUR CONGRESSMAN TOMORROW**

Demand your elected officials support Rep. Ron Paul's American Travelers Dignity Act. You can find out more about this bill and how to contact your legislators at:

[www.campaignforliberty.com](http://www.campaignforliberty.com)

FYI: Some Congressmen are given special treatment by TSA. They don't get groped and they don't have to be scanned.

*Are you feeling safer America?*



**\*Why Should You Object to the Scanner?**

1. Pilots and Flight Attendants Unions both urged their members to opt out for their own health and safety
2. Manufacturers can't be sued for faulty design under the 2002 Homeland Security Act ([www.safetyact.gov](http://www.safetyact.gov))
3. It's radiation. Unlike a medical x-ray that passes through the body, this stays in your skin.
4. Google "Dr. John Sedat's letter to TSA" warning of dangers of "Back Scatter Technology."
5. You just don't want a stranger to see you naked.
6. Ask the TSA employees if they can wear radiation detection badges. They should, but they are prohibited from doing so by their own agency.

Why should you be forced to put your health and dignity at risk just to travel in the "land of the free and home of the brave"?

The 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment to US Constitution: "The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures. **shall not be violated**"

\* The only people who say that the scanners are safe are the government and the companies selling the machines. BUT both made sure you could not sue them when you get cancer **before** they would put the machines in airports: <https://www.safetyact.gov>).