In order to guarantee a calm and safe trip, the Brazilian Government recommends vaccination against yellow fever for both national and international travelers heading to states and municipalities of the North and Mid-west Regions of Brazil, to all municipalities of the States of Maranhão and Minas Gerais, to the municipalities located in the south of the State of Piauí, west and south of the State of Bahia, north of Espírito Santo, northwest of São Paulo and west of the States of Paraná, Santa Catarina and Rio Grande do Sul.

The vaccine should be taken ten days before the trip – that is how long it takes to be protected against the disease. The reason for this recommendation is that, in some forest areas of the country, there is the possibility of non-vaccinated people get infected by the yellow fever. The Brazilian coast is free from the disease in the strip that goes from the State of Rio Grande do Sul to the State of Piauí. The forests in the coastal strip ranging from the north of the State of Espírito Santo to the south of the State of Bahia have not registered the circulation of the wild yellow fever virus. It is important to remember that the urban yellow fever has not been registered in Brazilian cities since 1942.
Look for information about indication and contraindication of the vaccine in any municipal Health Secretariats and in the ANVISA – Brazilian Health Surveillance Agency’s offices located at Brazilian ports, airports and borders. The vaccine is valid for ten years. Vaccination is recommended for people who have never been vaccinated and for those who were vaccinated over ten years ago, in case they visit or work in risk areas. It is important to check your vaccination card, because there is not need to be vaccinated again before the ten year period ends.