

Zoonotic Disease/Adverse Health Events Report from Wyoming Regional Veterinary Public Health Coordinators For Week Ending 6/1/2012

(Based on Reporting from 35 Veterinary Clinics and Other Sources)

Matthew Cherni, DVM- Region 1 (Sheridan, Johnson, Campbell, Crook, Weston)

Sheridan County- WSVL reported on a skunk with rabies. The skunk was shot by a landowner. There was no known human or animal contact with the rabid skunk. A veterinarian reported on a bat that was found in an individual's home. The bat will be tested for rabies. Also reported were 45 day quarantines for a vaccinated dog and a vaccinated cat after exposure to wild animals in separate incidents. The dog was bitten by a raccoon and the cat was bitten by a bat.

Campbell County-A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by a prairie dog. Rabies PEP was not administered.

Weston County- The Newcastle Police Department/Animal Control reported on the home quarantine of a vaccinated dog that bit two individuals. The bite victims were attempting to break up a dog fight. Also reported was an individual bitten by a running at large dog. Attempts to locate the dog were unsuccessful. Attempts to contact the bite victim regarding rabies PEP also were unsuccessful.

Richard Schwahn, DVM- Region 2 (Natrona, Converse, Niobrara)

Natrona County- Metro Animal Shelter/Animal Control reported two dog bite and two cat bite incidents. The cats were current on rabies vaccinations and will be home quarantined. The dogs were unvaccinated and will be quarantined at veterinary clinics. Health care providers reported seven dog bite incidents. Two of the incidents involved dog bites to children. One vaccinated dog was home quarantined. Animal control information on the remaining dogs is pending. Circumstances surrounding some of the incidents included one individual bitten by a running-at-large dog, three individuals bitten while attempting to break up dog fights, and a child bitten after falling on top of the family dog.

Converse County- A health care provider reported a negative rabies test on a euthanized dog that bit an individual. The dog was running-at-large at the time of the incident.

David Evertson, DVM- Region 3 (Carbon, Albany)

Albany County- The Laramie Police Department/Animal Control reported one dog bite and one cat bite incident. Both animals were unvaccinated and will be quarantined at a veterinary clinic. Circumstances surrounding the incidents included an individual bitten while holding a cat during a medical procedure and an individual bitten while try to catch a running-at-large dog. The Albany County Sheriff's Office/Animal Control reported on one dog bite and one cat bite incident. The unvaccinated cat and vaccinated dog will both be home quarantined. Circumstances surrounding the incidents included an individual bitten while trying to break up a cat fight, and an individual bitten after falling near and startling the family dog.

Carbon County-A health care provider reported on a delivery person bitten after entering into a dog's domain. Animal control information is pending.

Paul Jensen, DVM, MPH- Region 4 (Sweetwater, Lincoln, Uinta)

Sweetwater County- Rock Springs Police Department/Animal Control reported negative rabies tests on a squirrel and a cat that were euthanized after biting individuals. The Sweetwater County Sheriff's Department/Animal Control reported a negative rabies test on a dog that had bitten an individual.

Lincoln County- A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by a running-at-large dog. The bite victim was riding a bike at the time of the incident. A citizen reported finding a bat in a son's bedroom. The bat was not available for testing and the family was counseled regarding rabies PEP. A human case of *Salmonella hadar* where there was a history of contact with baby chicks is being investigated.

Jim Summers, DVM- Region 5 (Fremont, Sublette, Teton, WRIR)

Fremont County-A veterinarian reported a case of dermatophytosis in a guinea pig. A veterinarian reported the six month isolation and quarantine of an unvaccinated cat that may have been bitten by a bat.

WRIR- A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by a mouse. Rabies PEP was not initiated.

Tim Graham, DVM- Region 6 (Park, Hot Springs, YNP, Big Horn, Washakie)

Park County-A veterinarian reported on a negative rabies test for a cat with possible rabies.

Big Horn County-A human campylobacteriosis case where there was contact with a variety of animals is being investigated.

Gary Norwood, DVM- Region 7 (Laramie, Platte, Goshen, WAFB)

Laramie County-A veterinarian reported on a child bitten by a vaccinated dog. The dog was already under a 45 day quarantine initiated after exposure to a rabid skunk.

WGFD-Wyoming Game and Fish Department
WSVL-Wyoming State Veterinary Laboratory
WPHL-Wyoming Public Health Laboratory
PFGE- Pulse Field Gel Electrophoresis
PEP-Rabies Post Exposure Prophylaxis