Zoonotic Disease/Adverse Health Events Report from Wyoming Regional Veterinary Public Health Coordinators For Week Ending 4/12/2013

(Based on Reporting from 34 Veterinary Clinics and Other Sources)

Non Animal Bite Events and Rabies PEP Administration

(Scroll down to see reported animal to human bite incidents)

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

Campbell County- A human *Salmonella typhimurium* case where there was a PFGE match to a multistate outbreak linked to baby poultry is being investigated. The individual reported contact with baby chicks and ducks.

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

Natrona County- A health care provider reported starting rabies PEP for an individual bitten by a stray dog. The bite victim was riding a bike at the time of the incident. The dog was later found and quarantined.

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

Nothing to Report

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

Nothing to Report

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

Nothing to Report

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

Nothing to Report

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

Laramie County- A human *Salmonella newport* case where there was contact with a cockatiel as well as numerous other exposures is being investigated. A human *Salmonella sp.* case where there was contact with turtles is being investigated.

Platte County- An individual bitten by two running-at-large dogs was started on rabies PEP by the bite victim's health care provider. One of the dogs was shot and killed. The other dog remains at large.

Animal Bite Incidents

Matthew Cherni, DVM- Region 1 (Sheridan, Johnson, Campbell, Crook, Weston) Nothing to Report

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

Natrona County- Health care providers reported eleven dog bite and three cat bite incidents. Three of the incidents involved bites to children. Three dogs and one cat were current on rabies vaccinations. The vaccination status of the other animals is not known. One dog was a bite victim's pet. One dog was owned by an acquaintance of the bite victim. Additional animal control information on the incidents is pending. Circumstances surrounding some of the incidents included four individuals bitten while attempting to break up cat or dog fights, one individual bitten during play with a dog, and an individual bitten after shutting a car door on the family dog.

Niobrara County- A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by a cat. The vaccinated cat will be home quarantined. The bite victim was grooming the cat at the time of the incident.

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

Albany County- The Albany County Sheriff's Office reported on the veterinary clinic quarantine of a dog that had bitten the dog's owner. The bite victim had startled the dog.

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

Uinta County- A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by a cat. The bite victim was placing a cat in a kennel at the time of the incident. Additional animal control information is pending.

Sweetwater County- A health care provider reported on a child bitten by a dog. Animal control information is pending.

Lincoln County- Health care providers reported two dog bite incidents. In one incident an individual was bitten by a running-at-large dog. Animal control is looking for the dog. In the second incident a child was bitten on the face by the family dog. The incident occurred during play. Animal control information is pending.

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

Sublette County- A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by the family dog. The vaccinated dog will be home quarantined.

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

Hot Springs County- A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by an unspecified animal. Animal control information is pending.

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

Nothing to Report

WGFD-Wyoming Game and Fish Department WSVL-Wyoming State Veterinary Laboratory WPHL-Wyoming Public Health Laboratory PFGE- Pulse Field Gel Electrophoresis http://www.health.wyo.gov/sho/hazards/wrvc.html

PEP-Rabies Post Exposure Prophylaxis