Zoonotic Disease/Adverse Health Events Report from Wyoming Regional Veterinary Public Health Coordinators For Week Ending 9/27/2013

Non Animal Bite Events and Rabies PEP Administration

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Matthew Cherni, DVM- Region 1 (Sheridan, Johnson, Campbell, Crook, Weston)
Sheridan County- WSVL reported on a horse positive for West Nile virus.

Richard Schwahn, DVM- Region 2 (Natrona, Converse, Niobrara)
Nothing to Report

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)
Fremont County- A veterinarian reported ringworm in a litter of kittens.

Tim Graham, DVM- Region 6 (Park, Hot Springs, YNP, Big Horn, Washakie)
Nothing to Report

Gary Norwood, DVM- Region 7 (Laramie, Platte, Goshen, WAFB)
Nothing to Report

Animal Bite Incidents

Matthew Cherni, DVM- Region 1 (Sheridan, Johnson, Campbell, Crook, Weston)
Johnson County- The Buffalo Police Department/Animal Control reported the home quarantine of a vaccinated cat that bit an individual.

Richard Schwahn, DVM- Region 2 (Natrona, Converse, Niobrara)
Natrona County- Health care providers reported four dog bite incidents and two cat bite incidents. Three of the dogs and one cat were reported to be current on rabies vaccinations. One dog and one cat were of unknown vaccination status. Additional animal control information is pending. Circumstances surrounding the incidents included individuals bitten while making a delivery, while intervening in a dog/cat encounter, during play with the family dog, by a dog running at large, and after a dog's tail was caught in truck's tail gate.

Converse County- Health care providers reported on one dog bite and one cat bite incident. The dog had bitten a child riding a bike. The cat had bitten a relative of the owner. Animal control information on both incidents is pending.

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

Albany County- The Albany County Sheriff's Office/Animal Control reported on the shelter quarantine of an unvaccinated, running at large dog

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

Sweetwater County- Health care providers reported on two dog bite incidents. Both dogs were reported to be current on rabies vaccinations. In one of the incidents the bite victim was attempting to help an injured dog. The Green River Police Department/Animal Control reported on the home quarantine of a vaccinated dog that bit a child. The child was attempting to pet the dog at the time of the incident. The Sweetwater County Sheriff's Office/Animal Control reported on a dog bite incident and cat bite incident. In both case the animals could not be located for quarantine. The bite victims were counseled regarding rabies PEP.

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

Nothing to Report

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

Park County- A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by a stranger's dog. Additional information is pending.

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

Laramie County- A health care provider reported on the home quarantine of a vaccinated cat that had bitten an individual. The cat had bitten a relative of the owner. The City of Cheyenne and Laramie County Animal Control reported on two dog bite incidents. In one incident a child was bitten by the family dog during play. The vaccinated dog will be home quarantined.

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