

Zoonotic Disease/Adverse Health Events Report from Wyoming Regional Veterinary Public Health Coordinators For Week Ending 11/11/2011

(Based on Reporting from 37 Veterinary Clinics and Other Sources)

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

Sheridan County-A citizen reported an incident where a family member was bitten by a squirrel. Information on rabies risk was provided and the bite victim was started on rabies PEP. A health care provider reported initiating rabies PEP for an individual bitten by a stray cat. The cat could not be located. The bite victim was attempting to free the cat from a leg trap at the time of the incident.

Crook County-A health care provider reported on the home quarantine of a vaccinated dog that bit a child. The child was attempting to capture the running-at-large dog at the time of the incident.

Johnson County-A veterinarian reported on the veterinary clinic quarantine of a dog that bit a child.

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

Natrona County-A veterinary clinic reported on a dog with giardiasis.

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

Carbon County-A health care provider reported on the Shelter quarantine of a vaccinated dog that bit an animal care taker. Another health care provider reported on an individual bitten by their own pet dog. Additional animal control information on the incident is pending.

Albany County-The Albany County Sheriff's Office/Animal Control reported on the home quarantine of two vaccinated dogs. The bite victim was attempting to prevent the dogs from fighting and was bitten by both dogs. Health care providers reported on two vaccinated dogs that were home quarantined in separate incidents. In one of the incidents the bite victim was bitten during play with the family dog.

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

Uinta County-The Evanston Animal Control/Animal Shelter reported on the Shelter quarantine of a cat. The bite victim was the owner of the cat.

Sweetwater County-Health care providers reported three dog bite incidents and one cat bite incident. One of the dogs was running at large at the time of the incident. The unvaccinated dog was placed under veterinary quarantine. The bite victim started rabies PEP. In the cat incident, the stray cat was captured after the bite incident and was placed under quarantine. In the other two dog bite incidents animal control information is pending.

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

Fremont County- WSVL and WPHL reported on a canine *Campylobacter jejuni* case (C18551) with PFGE matches to previous bovine and human cases reported since 2005.

Teton County-The Jackson Police Department/Animal Control reported on the home quarantine of a vaccinated dog that bit an individual. The bite victim was attempting to break up a dog fight at the time of the incident.

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

Park County-Cody Police Department/Animal Control reported on the home quarantine of a vaccinated dog that bit a child. The dog had escaped from a yard at the time of the incident.

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

Laramie County-A health care provider reported on the home quarantine of a vaccinated dog. The bite victim was the owner of the dog. Cheyenne and Laramie County Animal Control reported three dog bite incidents. One of the dogs was vaccinated and will be home quarantined. The other two dogs were not current on rabies vaccinations and will be Shelter quarantined. Circumstances surrounding the incidents included a child bitten on the face while playing with the family dog, a child bitten on the face by a running-at-large dog, and an adult bitten while petting a dog.

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