# Zoonotic Disease/Adverse Health Events Report from Wyoming Regional Veterinary Public Health Coordinators For Week Ending 4/19/2013

(Based on Reporting from 27 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)
Nothing to Report

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

**David Evertson, DVM**- Region 3 (Carbon, Albany)
Albany County- A veterinarian reported seeing canine roundworm cases.

**Paul Jensen, DVM, MPH**- Region 4 (Sweetwater, Lincoln, Uinta)
Nothing to Report

**Jim Summers, DVM**- Region 5 (Fremont, Sublette, Teton, WRIR)
Sublette County- A veterinarian reported a Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus case in a llama.

**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 veterinarian reported on two cases of canine giardia.

## Animal Bite Incidents

**Matthew Cherni, DVM-** Region 1 (Sheridan, Johnson, Campbell, Crook, Weston)
Campbell County- The Gillette Police Department/Animal Control reported ten animal bite incidents. All of the incidents involved dog bites. Six incidents involved bites to children. Three of the dogs were current on rabies vaccinations and were home quarantined. Three unvaccinated dogs were shelter quarantined. One unvaccinated dog was allowed a home quarantine because the dog had a bacterial illness. Two dogs of unknown vaccination status were euthanized after the incidents and tested negative for rabies. One dog could not be located after the incident. The bite victim was counseled regarding rabies PEP. Circumstances surrounding some of the incidents included two individuals bitten during play with a dog, four

individuals bitten by running-at-large dogs, a child bitten while walking past a house where a dog was on a chain, and an individual bitten while taking away food from a dog.

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

**David Evertson, DVM**- Region 3 (Carbon, Albany)
Albany County- the Laramie Animal Control/Animal Shelter reported a negative rabies test on a dog. The dog had bitten two individuals.

**Paul Jensen, DVM, MPH**- Region 4 (Sweetwater, Lincoln, Uinta)
Sweetwater County- The Sweetwater County Sheriff's Office/Animal Control reported a negative rabies test on a dog that had bitten an individual.
Uinta County- Health care providers reported on one cat bite incident and one dog bite incident. In the cat bite incident the bite victim was playing with some newborn kittens and was bitten by the mother cat. In the dog bite incident, a child was bitten while visiting a neighbor's dog. Animal control information on both incidents is pending.

**Jim Summers, DVM**- Region 5 (Fremont, Sublette, Teton, WRIR)
Fremont County- A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by a running-at-large dog. The vaccinated dog will be home quarantined.

**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- The City of Cheyenne and Laramie County Animal Control reported on an individual bitten by a dog. The owner of the dog has resisted attempts to quarantine the dog. The bite victim was counseled regarding rabies PEP.

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