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Zoonotic Disease/Adverse Health Events Report from Wyoming Regional Veterinary Public Health Coordinators For Week Ending 5/3/2013

(Based on Reporting from 32 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)
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)
Goshen County- WSVL and a veterinary clinic reported on a rabid skunk. The dead skunk had been brought from Nebraska into Wyoming for rabies testing. A dog had been bitten by the skunk. Nebraska animal control officials were contacted.

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

Sweetwater County- The Green River Police Department/Animal Control reported the shelter quarantine of an unvaccinated dog that had bitten a child on the face. The child had grabbed the collar of the dog at the time of the incident. The child was visiting the dog at a neighbor's house. The Rock Springs Police Department/Animal Control reported on a negative rabies test for a feral kitten that had bitten an individual. The bite victim was attempting to catch the cat at the time of the incident. Also reported was a negative rabies test on a dog of unknown vaccination status that had bitten the dog's owner. The dog was euthanized due to a history of aggression. A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by a cat. The bite victim was flossing the cat's teeth at the time of the incident. Animal control information is pending.

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

Sublette County- The Sublette County Sheriff's Office/Animal Control reported the shelter quarantine of an unvaccinated dog that had bitten a child on the face. The incident was not directly observed.

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

Park County- A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by the family dog. The bite victim had accidentally stepped on the dog. Animal control information is pending.

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

Laramie County- The City of Cheyenne and Laramie County Animal Control reported two dog bite and three cat bite incidents. Two individuals were bitten by the same cat. Two incidents involved dog bites to children. One dog and one cat were current on rabies vaccinations. Both animals were home quarantined. The other dog was a stray and could not be located after the incident. The bite victim was counseled regarding rabies PEP. The other cat was feral, was euthanized, and tested negative for rabies. Circumstances surrounding some of the incidents included an individual bitten by a dog while the bite victim was riding a bike, an individual bitten while trying to free a cat after the cat's tail was caught in a door, and two individuals bitten while attempting to rescue a feral cat.

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