# Zoonotic Disease/Adverse Health Events Report from Wyoming Regional Veterinary Public Health Coordinators For Week Ending 8/23/2013

## Non Animal Bite Events and Rabies PEP Administration

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

Sheridan County- A human campylobacteriosis case with a possible bovine source is being investigated. WSVL reported on a horse positive for West Nile virus.

Campbell County- A human campylobacteriosis case where there was exposure to a variety of animals is being investigated. WSVL reported on a horse positive for West Nile virus.

Washakie County- A human *Escherichia coli* case where there was contact with a variety of animals is being investigated.

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

Converse County- A human salmonellosis case where there was contact with a variety of animals is being investigated.

Natrona County- A veterinarian reported on a cat bitten by a possibly rabid bat. The bat was not captured for rabies testing after the incident. The vaccinated, but not current, cat will be revaccinated and placed under a 45 day home quarantine. A health care provider reported on an individual with a bat exposure. The individual had removed a fish hook from a bat and then released the bat. The individual was exposed to the bat's fluids and tissues in the process of removing the fish hook. The individual was counseled regarding rabies PEP.

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

Nothing to Report

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

Sweetwater County- WSVL reported on a horse positive for West Nile virus. A human salmonellosis case where there was contact with a variety of animals is being investigated.

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

Teton County- A human salmonellosis case where there was contact with pigs and a pet turtle is being investigated.

Fremont County- A veterinarian reported on a cat that had been bitten by a bat. The bat was captured and will be tested for rabies.

**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- WSVL reported on a horse positive for West Nile virus (this case was mentioned as a lab-tests-pending case last week).

Platte County- WSVL reported on a horse positive for West Nile virus. A health care provider reported initiating rabies PEP for an individual bitten by a dog. Additional information is pending.

## 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- A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by the bite victim's own cat. The cat was current on rabies vaccinations. Animal control information is pending.
Converse County- The Glenrock Police Department/Animal Control reported the veterinary clinic quarantine of a vaccinated, but not current, dog that had bitten a child. The child was riding a bike at the time of the incident.

**David Evertson, DVM**- Region 3 (Carbon, Albany)
Albany County- The Laramie Police Department/Animal Control reported two dog bite incidents. In one incident a vaccinated dog was home quarantined after biting an individual. The dog had bitten the individual through a hole in a yard fence. In the second incident an individual was bitten by a dog-at-large. The vaccinated dog will be home quarantined. The Laramie Animal Control/Animal Shelter reported looking for a running-at-large dog. The dog had bitten an individual. A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by the bite victim's own dog. Animal control information is pending.

**Paul Jensen, DVM, MPH**- Region 4 (Sweetwater, Lincoln, Uinta)
Sweetwater County- The Green River Police Department/Animal Control reported the shelter quarantine of a vaccinated dog. The dog had bitten a child. The owner surrendered the dog to the shelter after the incident. The child was attempting to pet the dog.
Uinta County- A health care provider reported on a child bitten by a dog. Animal control information is pending. The Evanston Animal Control/Animal Shelter reported on a dog bite that occurred in Uinta County. No additional information was available.

**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- The Cody Police Department/Animal Control reported on two dog bite incidents. In one incident an individual was bitten after entering into a dog's home domain. The vaccinated dog will be home quarantined. In the second incident an individual was bitten while attempting to pet a stranger's dog while attending a community event. The vaccinated dog will be home quarantined.

http://www.health.wyo.gov/sho/hazards/wrvc.html

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

Laramie County- A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by an unspecified animal. Additional information is pending.

Platte County- A health care provider reported the home quarantine of a dog that had bitten an individual.

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