



# MANDATORY REPORTING FORM

## POSSIBLE RABIES EXPOSURE REPORT

**High risk exposures must be phoned and faxed to Public Health Services.  
 Low risk exposures can be faxed only. Refer to Rabies Risk Assessment Reporting Guideline.  
 Phone: 905-546-2489 Use this form to FAX all exposure reports. FAX: 905-546-2787**

Personal information contained on this form is collected under the authority of the Health Protection & Promotion Act, for the purposes of investigation by Public Health Services and the entry of the information to the Provinces database in the potential eventuality of Rabies Immunoprophylaxis or a Human Rabies case.

**Reporting Office or Hospital:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Back line if available.

**Attending Physician:** \_\_\_\_\_

### PERSON EXPOSED

Date of Exposure: \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Exposure**

Bite:  Handling:   
 Scratch:  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Area Affected**

Head/Face   
 Neck   
 Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Please affix patient label with name, address, telephone, sex and date of birth. Provide guardian information for under-aged children in the comments section below.

**Comments regarding incident/exposure:**

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**WEIGHT\*:** \_\_\_\_\_ KG/LBS (Please circle)  
 \* Weight required if rabies PEP ordered.

### **Vaccine Update**

Recent changes to rabies post-exposure prophylaxis now include 4 doses on day 0, day 3, day 7 and day 14 with the exception of those persons who are immunocompromised including those on corticosteroids, other immunosuppressive drugs, antimalarials and those with immunosuppressive illnesses who will continue to require the 5<sup>th</sup> dose on day 28. Please have the ordering physician determine if the patient is considered immunocompromised, requiring the 5 doses to ensure that the correct amount of vaccine is delivered. For assistance please call (905) 546-2424 ext. 3327.

### **PROVIDE KNOWN ANIMAL INFORMATION BELOW**

#### ANIMAL INFORMATION

<p><b>Type of Animal</b></p> <p>Dog <input type="checkbox"/> Bat <input type="checkbox"/>                  Cat <input type="checkbox"/> Fox <input type="checkbox"/>                  Ferret <input type="checkbox"/> Skunk <input type="checkbox"/>                  Livestock <input type="checkbox"/> Raccoon <input type="checkbox"/>                  Other: _____</p> <p>Is the domestic animal vaccinated against rabies?  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>If exposed is also animal owner please tick box. <input type="checkbox"/> If not please fill out below:</p> <p>Owner Name: _____</p> <p>Owner Address: _____ City: _____</p> <p>Owner Telephone No.: _____</p> <p>Pet Name: _____</p>
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## High Risk Exposures

Animal species	Condition of animal at time of exposure	Reporting required for Public Health Services (PHS)	Management of exposed person
Dog, Cat or Ferret	Rabid or suspected to be rabid.** Unknown, stray or escaped.	Phone and Fax	Local treatment of the wound.  Rabies Prophylaxis (Rablg & HDCV or PCECV)
Skunk, bat, fox, coyote, raccoon, and other carnivores.	Regard as rabid as raccoon strain rabies is established in the local animal population in this area.	Phone and Fax	Local treatment of the wound.  Rabies Prophylaxis (Rablg & HDCV or PCECV)

**Note:** In cases where the bite has occurred to the head or neck, rabies prophylaxis should be started immediately and can be discontinued if the animal test is negative for rabies.

## Low Risk Exposures

Animal species	Condition of animal at time of exposure	Reporting required for Public Health Services (PHS)	Management of exposed person
Dog, Cat or Ferret	Healthy, +/- rabies immunization available for 10 day observation	Fax	Local treatment of the wound.  At first sign of rabies in animal, PHS may recommend administering Rablg and starting HDCV or PCECV. <b>If bite wound is to the head or neck; then begin immediately.</b>
Livestock, rodents, lagomorphs (hares and rabbits)	Consider Individually.	Fax  <b>If animal behaviour unusual; phone report is also required.</b>	Local treatment of the wound.  Bites of these animals may warrant post-exposure rabies prophylaxis if the behaviour/circumstance of the animal was <b>highly unusual</b> ***
Non- contact bats found in bedroom	Consider individually.	Fax  <b>If child or adult cannot give a reliable history, phone report is also required.</b>	Local treatment of the wound.  Rabies post- exposure prophylaxis may be warranted. A risk assessment must be conducted by PHS.