

IT'S THIS EASY TO PICK UP RABIES

Did you know...

- Rabies is a deadly disease transmitted in saliva
- Dogs and cats are infected with rabies by wild animals every year
- Bites from unvaccinated pets and stray animals cause many human exposures, but **Rabies is a preventable disease**



Protect yourself, your pet and your community:

- Vaccinate all dogs, cats and ferrets against rabies
- Avoid contact with wildlife and stray animals
- If bitten, wash the wound thoroughly, see your doctor

Working Together to Make Rabies History!



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This is Johnny. He was a stray puppy who was brought to Animal Control by a Good Samaritan. They in turn took him to a local veterinarian because he had been injured and had an open fracture of his left radius and ulna. Look at how cute he is; how can you not want to save him? His fracture was healing and he was being considered by many people for adoption. The problem is, Johnny turned out to have rabies. When he got sick and developed neurologic signs, the veterinarian and Animal Control reluctantly decided to euthanize him and have him tested for rabies. The result: he was positive! As a consequence, fifty people had to undergo post-exposure prophylaxis. This happened all because a caring group of people wanted to save him. It's this easy to pick up rabies.