

Protect Yourself Against Rabies

4 Easy Steps

1. Vaccinate all pets against rabies.

A one-year shot or a three-year shot from a licensed veterinarian is required.

2. Exchange contact information.

Anyone who is bitten by a pet should exchange contact information with the pet owner. It is important to know how to contact the owner and their veterinarian in case there are any questions after a bite occurs.

3. Notify Animal Control.

Anytime a person is bitten by an animal, the bite should be reported to the appropriate Animal Control office to assure that the risk of rabies infection does not occur.

Who to call for Animal Control in:

Asheville City limits:	Asheville Police:	252-1110
Buncombe County:	Sheriff's Office:	250-6670
Biltmore Forest:	Health Dept.:	250-5109
Black Mountain:	Sheriff's Office:	250-6670
Montreat:	Health Dept.:	250-5109
Weaverville:	Health Dept.:	250-5109
Woodfin:	Health Dept.:	250-5109

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4. Contact the Health Department

If you are bitten, a trained nurse can talk with you about your exposure and help you decide if you need to get rabies vaccines.

Buncombe County Dept. of Health

250-5109

Taking these simple steps can usually prevent the need for post-exposure vaccines.

Rabies post-exposure vaccines can prevent the rabies disease. Without these vaccines the outcome of a person bitten by an animal with rabies is usually death.



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