



News Release

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PET RABIES CLINIC SCHEDULED IN CITY OF ROCHESTER

The Monroe County Department of Public Health will hold a pet rabies clinic on:

**Wednesday, October 19, from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., at the
Genesee Valley Park Field House, 1316 Genesee Street**

Dogs, cats and ferrets can be immunized, but must be at least three months old. Dogs should be leashed; cats and ferrets must be in a pet carrier. Shots are provided at no charge. To receive a 3-year rabies vaccination, please bring a copy of prior rabies vaccination records.

Rabies is a viral infection that is fatal once symptoms develop. Although the disease is most often transmitted by a bite, it can also be transmitted if saliva from a rabid animal comes in contact with an open wound on the body, or with a mucous membrane such as the mouth, nose or eyes.

Health officials strongly recommend pet vaccination as it provides a barrier to prevent the transmission of rabies from a pet -- that has come in contact with a rabid animal -- to a person that subsequently touches the exposed pet.

Further information about the clinic can be obtained by calling 756-5171.

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