Protect yourself from rabies

Rabies is a disease you get from an infection with the rabies virus. Rabies is fatal once symptoms appear. You can get rabies through exposures to the saliva of animals, most commonly by a bite. If you think you are exposed, consult your provider or local health department ASAP.

What animals present the greatest risk of transmission of rabies to people in North Carolina?









Animal

Control





Safety &

Prevention

Report stray or dead animals

Avoid contact with wild animals

Beware of bats



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Exclude wildlife from indoors and sleeping spaces

Secure garbage can lids

If you are exposed



Exposed = a bite OR being in the same room as a bat while sleeping



Immediately wash the wound with soap and water

Contact your healthcare provider as soon as possible You may need to get a series of vaccines



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What wild animals present the greatest risk of giving people rabies in North Carolina?



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