

**Rabies Control Program**

There were three rabid animals confirmed by the New York Wadsworth Laboratory in Tompkins County during October of 2014. One was a big brown bat submitted by Cornell University as a routine wildlife submission where no human exposure occurred. The other two included a rabid big brown bat with a presumed bite to a human and a rabid skunk where there was a potential for secondary exposure. In both cases of human exposure people received rabies post exposure treatment.

<b>Key Data Overview</b>				
	<b>This Month</b>	<b>YTD 2014</b>	<b>YTD 2013</b>	<b>TOTAL 2013</b>
<b>Bites<sup>1</sup></b>	5	143	200	234
<b>Non Bites<sup>2</sup></b>	4	85	63	66
<b>Referrals to Other Counties</b>	4	37	46	47
<b>Submissions to the Rabies Lab</b>	12	176	188	203
<b>Human Post-Ex Treatments</b>	5	101	84	88
<b>Unvaccinated Pets Quarantined<sup>3</sup></b>	0	0	3	3
<b>Unvaccinated Pets Destroyed<sup>4</sup></b>	0	0	0	0
<b>Rabid Animals (Lab Confirmed)</b>	3	11	8	8

<sup>1</sup>"Bites" include all reported bites inflicted by mammals and any other wounds received while saliva is present.

<sup>2</sup>"Non-bites" include human exposures to saliva of potentially rabid animals. This also includes bats in rooms with sleeping people or young children where the bat was unavailable for testing.

<sup>3</sup>When an otherwise healthy, unvaccinated pet has contact with a rabid animal, or suspect rabid animal, that pet must be quarantined for 6 months or euthanized. Quarantine must occur in a TCHD-approved facility (such as a kennel) at the owner's expense. If the pet is still healthy at the end of 6 months, the exposure did not result in rabies and the pet is released.

<sup>4</sup> Pets must be euthanized if they are unvaccinated and have been in contact with a rabid or suspect rabid animal and begin to display signs consistent with rabies. Alternatively, a pet is euthanized if a prescribed 6-month quarantine cannot be performed or the owners elect euthanasia instead of quarantine.

<b>Reports by Animal Type</b>												
	<b>Bites</b>				<b>Animals sent to the NYS Rabies Laboratory</b>				<b>Rabid Animals</b>			
	<b>Mo</b>	<b>YTD 2014</b>	<b>YTD 2013</b>	<b>Total 2013</b>	<b>By TCHD</b>	<b>By Cornell</b>	<b>Totals</b>		<b>Mo</b>	<b>YTD 2014</b>	<b>YTD 2013</b>	<b>Total 2013</b>
							<b>Mo</b>	<b>YTD</b>				
<b>Cat</b>	1	50	72	80	1	3	4	10	0	0	0	0
<b>Dog</b>	3	79	108	133	0	2	2	9	0	0	0	0
<b>Cattle</b>	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
<b>Horse/Mule</b>	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Sheep/Goat</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
<b>Other Domestic</b>	0	0	2	2	0	2	2	3	0	0	0	0
<b>Raccoon</b>	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	6	0	2	1	1
<b>Bats</b>	1	6	5	5	1	1	2	124	2	5	6	6
<b>Skunks</b>	0	2	1	1	1	0	1	3	1	3	0	0
<b>Foxes</b>	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	5	0	0	1	1
<b>Other Wild</b>	0	4	7	8	0	0	0	11	0	1	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>