## **Rabies Control Program**

There were no confirmed cases of rabies in Tompkins County during October of 2015. However, Tompkins County Health Department staff did work with Seneca County to rule out any rabies exposures to Cornell staff and students that came in contact with a cow from Seneca County that was confirmed rabid by the NYS Wadsworth Laboratory.

Key Data Overview										
	This Month	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	TOTAL 2014						
Bites <sup>1</sup>	21	201	143	167						
Non Bites <sup>2</sup>	0	72	85	86						
Referrals to Other Counties	1	18	37	43						
Submissions to the Rabies Lab	4	194	176	190						
<b>Human Post-Ex Treatments</b>	2	90	101	103						
Unvaccinated Pets 6-Month Quarantined <sup>3</sup>	0	2	0	0						
Unvaccinated Pets Destroyed <sup>4</sup>	0	1	0	0						
Rabid Animals (Laboratory Confirmed)	0	11	11	12						

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;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.

Reports by Animal Type												
	Bites				Animals sent to the NYS Rabies Laboratory			Rabid Animals				
	Мо	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	Total 2014	By TCHD	By Cornell	To Mo	tals YTD	Мо	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	Total 2014
Cat	10	80	50	58	1	0	1	12	0	0	0	0
Dog	8	111	79	94	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
Cattle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Horse/Mule	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Sheep/Goat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Raccoon	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	6	0	2	2	3
Bats	1	3	6	6	2	0	2	154	0	7	5	5
Skunks	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Foxes	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	1	0	0
Other Wild	0	2	4	5	0	0	0	8	0	1	1	1
Totals	19	198	143	167	3	1	3	194	0	11	11	12

<sup>&</sup>lt;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>&</sup>lt;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.