

# Public Health Advisory

## Fox Attack in Resolute Bay

**January 10, 2023**

## Resolute Bay, Nunavut

The Department of Health is advising residents of Resolute Bay that a dog was attacked by a fox on January 8, 2023. The fox is being tested for rabies and the dog is currently under confinement.

Due to the danger of rabies, we advise all residents to be on the lookout for foxes in your area.

If you have been bitten or scratched by a fox or a dog, go to the health centre and report the incident **immediately**. Treatment must be started quickly after exposure, as rabies infections are almost always fatal.

Domestic animals that spend time tied up outdoors should be monitored for a change in behaviour and signs of rabies. Signs of rabies include behaving strangely, staggering, frothing at the mouth, choking or making strange noises. Animals exhibiting these signs should be avoided and reported to the Regional Environmental Health Officer or Conservation Officer.

If you see a fox or wolf wandering around the community, contact the Conservation Officer at (867) 252-3879. If your dog had contact with a fox or wolf, call your local Regional Environmental Health Officer at (867) 975-1163.

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