

## **Public Health Advisory**

## Dog suspected of rabies in Naujaat

April 3, 2025 Naujaat, Nunavut

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The Department of Health is advising Naujaat residents that a dog suspected of being infected with rabies has attacked other dogs in the community and has been put down on March 31, 2025. The dog has been sent for testing to determine if it was infected with rabies.

If you have been recently bitten or scratched by a fox or a dog, please go to your local 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 signs of rabies.

Signs of rabies include behaving strangely, aggressively, staggering, frothing at the mouth, choking, or making strange noises. Wild animals infected with rabies may also appear friendly and approach humans without fear. Animals exhibiting these signs should be avoided and reported to the Regional Environmental Health Office (EHO) or Conservation Officer.

Contact your Regional EHO at 867-645-6660 if you require more information or to report if your animal may have been involved.

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