

Hunterdon County Department of Health



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Public Health Alert

RABIES INCIDENT

DELAWARE TOWNSHIP

RESIDENTS In the area of: UPPER CREEK ROAD

RACCOON Tested Positive for Rabies

A Raccoon tested positive for rabies on 03/06/2023.

Description: Adult Raccoon

Area residents who may have had contact with this Raccoon any time between 2/16/2023 to 03/2/2023 - should notify their Primary Care Physician immediately or the Hunterdon Medical Center Emergency Room to discuss concerns, re: possible exposure and the need for post exposure prophylaxis treatment.

It is important to remember not to pick up stray animals at any time. <u>Saliva</u> from infected animals should be considered <u>infectious</u>.

All owners of cats, dogs and livestock should have the vaccination against rabies through their veterinarian or through municipal rabies clinics. For a listing of upcoming free rabies clinics, visit the Hunterdon County Department of Health Info Line website - http://www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/health/rabiesclinics.html

For more information, call 908-788-1351. After hours and on weekends, call 908-788-1202. To reach the Delaware Township Animal Control Officer, Animal Control Solutions, call (908) 722-1271.