

Chapter 7: Infectious diseases.

Rabies

Rabies is a deadly disease among animals in the wild such as raccoons, dogs, cats, monkeys, foxes and bats.

Humans can get it when bitten or scratched by an infected animal.



Symptoms

Around 2 to 3 days after getting infected, the symptoms include fever, sore throat, and burning pain and itch at the wound site. Even when the wound is healed, the infected person may experience anxiety, insomnia, fear of light, wind and noise, paranoia, cerebral dysfunction and paralysis. Finally, he will die of severe brain damage.

Prevention

Rabies cannot be cured. It only can be prevented. The best way of prevention is to avoid animal bites.

Keep away from stray animals. If you are bitten by an animal, you should wash the site with soap, clean it with alcohol or tincture of iodine, and seek medical advice right away.



Q1: How can a person get rabies?

A:

Q2: Is rabies a dangerous disease?

A:

Q3: Which animals can give you rabies?

A:

Q4: What is the best way to prevent getting rabies?

A:

Q5: What are some of the symptoms of rabies?

A: