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Rabies Prevention

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What is rabies? It is a deadly disease that impacts the central nervous system when scratched or bitten by a a rabid animal. Rabies can be found in bats, raccoons, foxes, etc.

Although Japan is free of rabies in dogs, there is still a potential that it can be found in the wildlife (more specifically, in bats).

Who is at risk?

- 1. Travelers going to Africa, certain parts of Asia, and parts of Central and South America.
- 2. Children since they are more likely to interact with stray animals.

What should you or your loved ones do if bitten or scratched by an animal?

- Immediately wash all bites and scratches. Use soap and running water.
- Seek medical attention right away.Do not wait for symptoms to appear.
- 3. Potentially begin treatment.

If you have any questions or concerns. Feel free to reach out to Public Health at 225-5311.

