



WILD MAMMALS CAN HAVE RABIES

Here is what you should do if you were bitten, scratched, or exposed to a wild animal:



Wash the wound with soap and water.

After washing, apply disinfectant to the wound area.



Seek treatment

from a medical provider to evaluate the injury.



Contact the Northern Kentucky Health Department's

Environmental Health & Safety Division at (859) 341-4151. Our office can help determine if the animal should be tested for rabies as well as if administration of the rabies post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) vaccine is necessary.



Secure the Animal: Only if it is safe to do so.

If you are unable to safely secure the animal, please call an animal removal company and/or animal control to do so.

Getting bitten by an animal can be scary, but proper treatment is very safe and effective. Remember to always avoid contact with wild animals, unknown pets or other domesticated animals.