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Davidson County Reports 1st case of rabies for 2019

The Davidson County Health Department reports the first case of rabies for 2019. On January 30th, a rabid skunk was found in the Tyro community. A dog came into contact with the skunk. The dog had lapsed vaccine and was boosted on January 31st and will be under observation for 45 days. There was no human exposure to the skunk.

Do not handle an animal with bare hands after it has had contact with a wild animal. Saliva from the wild animal may still be present on the domestic animal's fur and by handling the animal, you may expose yourself to the rabies virus.

If there are stray dogs, cats, or wildlife in your neighborhood, call Animal Control at 336-249-0131. Please call 336-242-2348 to report possible cases of rabies exposure.

The Davidson County Health Department will host its first rabies clinic on April 13th from 2:00 – 4:00 at the Davidson County Health Department. The cost is \$7 per vaccine.