

Health Notice:

Rabies Alert in Bensonhurst, Brooklyn

A raccoon found on the 7800 block of 16th Avenue in Bensonhurst, Brooklyn recently tested positive for rabies. The raccoon may have infected feral cats and kittens before it died. Protect yourself, your family and your pets:

- **Stay away** from wild animals like raccoons, bats and stray cats, especially if they look sick or act strangely.
- **Keep your dog on a leash and your cat indoors.**
- **If you are bitten by an animal**, wash the wound *right away*, and talk to a doctor.
- **Call 311** if you or your pet were bitten — or if you see a wild or stray animal that looks sick.

Reminder: Get your cat or dog vaccinated for rabies. If your cat or dog was already vaccinated, check with your vet to make sure your pet's vaccine is up to date.