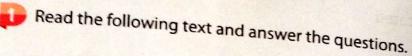
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## **Public Health Announcement**

The Guilford County Department of Public Health is hosting two rabies clinics this month in honor of World Rabies Day on Sept. 28. The rabies vaccination will cost \$5 per shot and will protect your pet for one calendar year. Dogs must be teashed and cats must be kept in carriers.



The State of North Carolina requires dogs, cats, and ferrets to be vaccinated. The health department recommends that other animals that have regular contact.

horses, should be vaccinated as well. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the rabies virus causes approximately 55,000 human deaths worldwide each year, with most of the deaths occurring in children under 15. The rabies virus is transmitted through the bite of an infected animal When an animal has rabies (or is rabid), the virus circulates throughout its body and is transmitted to other animals or humans through its saliva. The most commonly infected animals are raccoons, bate skunks, and foxes.

The best ways to keep your pet from becoming rabid are to keep it leashed in public, as roaming pets are exposed to wild animals. Feed your pet indoors if possible. Wild animals will venture into your basement, outbuildings, or garage to seek food, so be sure the storage location you select for your pet food is secure. Moreover, do not try to touch, feed, or rescue wild animals. Do not pick up dead animals as the virus could still be present.

This year in Guilford County, the majority of the animal rabies cases have involved raccoons, with foxes in a very close second place. Guilford County has recorded fifteen cases of animal rabies thus this year.

- Using information in the passage, we can understand that which of the following animals would LEAST likely be a carrier of rabies?
  - a squirrel
  - **b** a shark
  - © a possum
  - a coyote

Which of the following sentences uses the word circulates most similar to the way in which it is used in paragraph 2? (a) The host circulates through the party to make sure his guests are enjoying themselves. **b** At the fair, flies circulate over the picnic table when the cakes and pies are displayed. A tiny blood clot may circulate through the aorta and two ventricles of the heart. d Thanks to a window fan, cool air circulates through the third story bedroom. Which of the following is NOT a good recommendation for those people who want to keep their animals rabies free? (a) It is best to feed your cat in the kitchen. (b) Store your dog food in a lidded container. © Do not allow your pets to go outdoors alone. **d** Let your dog run free at the local walking trail (5) Who is the intended audience for this information? Where might information like this be published? Who might have written it? How do you know? This information goes to the audience that has a pet in their home and watches over their health in order to determine the centers where vaccination is carried out against the most common diseases in them and the proper protocols to control it.

3 In paragraph 2, we learn that an animal has rabies, "the virus circulates throughout its body."

2 As used in paragraph 2, the word transmitted most nearly means

passed

(c) attached

(d) merged

(b) communicated