

## **Public Health Alert**

DATE: September 28, 2022

Adult Bitten by Unknown Dog on West Ninth Street in Frederick City, Maryland, on Tuesday, September 27, 2022. Seeking Owner of Dog.

An adult was bitten by an unknown dog on Tuesday, September 27, 2022, around 10:15 a.m. near the intersection of West Ninth Street and Toll House Avenue in Frederick City, Maryland. The victim was passing by the dog when it bit him. The unknown dog is described as a small, leashed, white poodle accompanied by a Black man. Inaccurate contact information was provided to the victim.

Contact is needed to confirm the animal's health and whereabouts. The animal will be quarantined, which can occur in the owner's home, for 10 days to monitor its health. If the animal is verified to be in good health 10 days after the bite, it will be allowed to resume normal activity, and the victim can avoid receiving unnecessary and expensive post-exposure rabies vaccinations. The Frederick County Health Department is asking that the owner or anyone who has information about the animal contact Frederick County Animal Control at 301-600-1544.

If you or someone in your family is bitten or scratched by a dog or cat, obtain contact information from the animal's owner so that appropriate action can be taken. Report bites to Animal Control at 301-600-1544. Report possible human exposure to Community Health Services at 301-600-3342. For general rabies questions, call Environmental Health Services at 301-600-1717. Visit health.frederickcountymd.gov/RABIES for more information.



