

THE TRUTH ABOUT RABIES

There is no cure for rabies

Rabies is **100% fatal**. But it is **100% preventable** if you take a full course of vaccinations soon after exposure.

First aid helps

It reduces the virus load. **Wash the wound** with soap and water. Clean it with an antiseptic. **Don't bandage** the wound. See a doctor immediately.

A bite from a pet dog could be fatal.

About 6% of dogs found rabid **had been vaccinated** earlier. * You can also get rabies from cats, monkeys, and other animals.

* H. Wilde, Intern J Infect Dis 1997; 1(3): 135-142

Pregnant women should take anti-rabies treatment.

Modern rabies vaccines can be given during pregnancy.

You **MUST** take the full course of vaccinations as recommended by your doctor.

Do not stop the course midway.

You don't need to take injections in the stomach anymore.

Modern rabies vaccines are injected in the arm.

Even a lick on grazed skin can cause rabies.

Consult your doctor immediately.

