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Clinton County Health Department Rabies Vaccination Clinic

On **April 2, 2019**, the Clinton County Health Department is hosting a free Rabies Vaccination Clinic for dogs, cats, and ferrets. New York State law requires pets to have their first rabies vaccination by 4 months of age. Pets may be vaccinated as early as 3 months of age.

The event will be held from **6pm to 8:30pm** at the **City of Plattsburgh Department of Public Works building located at 215 Idaho Ave, Plattsburgh, NY**. Interested residents should bring their pets on a leash or in a secure carrier. Pets that have received a previous rabies vaccination are eligible to receive a three-year certificate. Please bring your pet's most recent rabies vaccination records (previous certificate), otherwise, a one-year certificate will be provided.

Rabies is a fatal viral disease that can affect all mammals, including humans and pets. Rabies is most often transmitted through the bite of a rabid animal. Rabies can be prevented by vaccinating your pets. As a precaution, never pick up wildlife, including stray animals, and wear thick protective gloves if you must handle these animals. If you are bitten (teeth breaking the skin) by an animal, including domestic animals, seek medical attention and notify the Clinton County Health Department.

“This is a great opportunity to save your pet's life and prevent the spread of rabies”, states Judy Ross, Principal Sanitarian for the Department's Division of Environmental Health and Safety. “Don't miss this chance.” Donations are accepted and appreciated. The Department will hold six (6) additional Rabies Vaccination Clinics in 2019. Dates will be posted on the Health Department's website at www.clintonhealth.org/rabiesclinics. Additional information about rabies can be found on this web page and at <https://www.cdc.gov/rabies/index.html>. Follow Clinton County Health Department on Social Media to receive notice of upcoming clinics dates and locations.

About the Clinton County Health Department:

The Health Department is an accredited full service department serving the residents of Clinton County. The Health Department's Mission is to improve and protect the health, well-being and environment of the people of Clinton County. Visit our website at www.clintonhealth.org or connect with us on Facebook (@clintonhealth), Twitter (@ClintonCountyHD), and Instagram (clintoncountyhealth).

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