



NEWS RELEASE



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LOW-COST RABIES VACCINATION CLINIC OFFERED

In Mahoning County, all dogs, cats, and ferrets over 3 months of age are required to be vaccinated against rabies. Mahoning County Public Health is offering a rabies vaccination clinic. Cost is \$8.00 per shot (cash only) and no appointment is necessary. Pet owners must have their pets on a leash, in a cage, or carried inside a pillowcase. This low-cost clinic does not include a physical examination of the animal. The veterinary staff reserves the right not to vaccinate any animal if they believe that the animal appears to be in poor health. To receive the 3-year booster, bring proof of prior rabies vaccination on or after April 13, 2018. Without proof of prior vaccination, the pet will receive a 1-year vaccination only.

- Date: Saturday, April 13, 2019
- Place: Damascus Fire Department
14860 South Pricetown Road (State Route 534), Damascus, OH 44619
- Time: 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Rabies is ever present in wildlife. It is a preventable, potentially deadly, viral disease most often transmitted through bites and scratches from unvaccinated pets, strays, and wildlife.

To protect yourself and your family from rabies do the following:

- Vaccinate your pets.
- Maintain control of your pets to reduce their exposure to wildlife.
- Spay or neuter your animal to decrease the number of stray animals.
- Avoid contact with wildlife and stray animals.
- Wash any animal bite or scratches thoroughly and follow up with a doctor.

Costs are kept to low through a sponsorship from Mahoning County Public Health and volunteer services provided by Lisa Kurtz, D.V.M., East Park Veterinary Clinic, and Damascus Ruritan Club.

Please see our [website](#) for more information or for our [Rabies Vaccination Clinic Flyer](#).

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