

Please contact VPHS or the AHB District Office in your area immediately to report a suspect case of a reportable disease or unusual illness in animals. Routine testing or prophylactic antibiotics for animal (or human) contacts of persons who may have been exposed to a potential source of anthrax are **not** recommended. Diagnosis of anthrax and other unusual disease agents (e.g., botulism, brucellosis, plague, tularemia) requires specialized testing in public health or veterinary reference laboratories.

TO REPORT A SUSPECT CASE OR OUTBREAK OF AN UNUSUAL ILLNESS IN ANIMALS

CONTACT:

VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH SECTION (Companion Animals/Exotics)
California Department of Health Services
Phone: (916) 327-0332

ANIMAL HEALTH BRANCH (Livestock)
California Department of Food and Agriculture
SACRAMENTO HEADQUARTERS
Phone: (916) 654-1447

REDDING DISTRICT*
Phone: (530) 225-2140

FRESNO DISTRICT*
Phone: (559) 237-1843


MODESTO DISTRICT*
Phone: (209) 491-9350

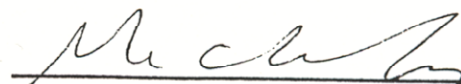
ONTARIO DISTRICT*
Phone: (909) 947-4462

WILDLIFE INVESTIGATIONS LABORATORY (Wildlife)
California Department of Fish and Game
Phone: (916) 358-2790

*available for emergency reports 24 hours a day, seven days a week

Please find enclosed a clinical table with selected disease information, a Fact Sheet on foreign animal diseases, and a list of internet resources. If you should have any questions or require additional information, please contact VPHS or your AHB District veterinarian.


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Enclosures