

## Rabies & HPAI Testing Specimen Submission: Domestic Animals With Human Rabies Exposure

# Option 1

Domestic Animals With Human Rabies Exposure & Needs HPAI Testing

### Option 2



PHU submits OAVT RRP rabies specimen collection request with human exposure form online as usual. Vet clinic/ Animal Shelter contact private lab to make arrangements for HPAI testing at animal owner's expense.

RVT collects specimen and ships it to CFIA as normal. Rabies FAT results returned to PHU as usual from CFIA.

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Vet clinic/animal shelter take sample for HPAI (prior to RRP RVT arrival) and submit directly to the private lab.

If the animal requires necropsy or other ancillary testing, arrangements can be made to send the whole body to the University of Guelph's Animal Health Lab for rabies, HPAI and any other requested tests. Transportation, HPAI testing and other ancillary testing would be at the expense of the animal owner. Rabies testing can be arranged by completing the OAVT RRP's submission form and indicating AHL as the collection location. RRP will work with AHL to collect the specimen for rabies testing. Veterinarian should call AHL ahead of time to make arrangements for HPAI and other ancillary testing at 519-824-4120 ext. 54530

Note: Vet Hospitals and Animal Shelters interested in testing for HPAI should have swabs in stock for HPAI testing. Rabies specimen collection will not be delayed to obtain swabs for HPAI testing. Rabies FAT testing takes presidence when human exposure is involved. Note: For animal to animal exposures the animal owner should be referred to their regular veterinarinan. The veterinarian may contact OMAFRA for assistance with risk assessments at 1-877-424-1300 (option 1) during business hours (weekdays 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM).

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