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Health Department Holds Rabies Vaccination Clinic Oct. 10

FAYETTEVILLE – The Cumberland County Department of Public Health will hold a fall rabies vaccination clinic for dogs and cats on Oct. 10 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the parking lot of the Public Health Center located at 1235 Ramsey Street. The cost is \$10 per animal.

North Carolina law requires that “the owner of every dog and cat over four months of age shall have the animal vaccinated against rabies.” In Cumberland County, the owners of dogs and cats which have not been vaccinated in accordance with this law are subject to a civil penalty in the amount of \$100.

To remain properly immunized, a dog or cat must receive two rabies vaccinations one year apart, then one vaccination every three years thereafter.

The Health Department holds a series of rabies vaccination clinics annually in April at various locations throughout the county.

“We are excited to extend this additional opportunity for rabies vaccination to pet owners,” said Environmental Health Director Daniel Ortiz.

Please keep your dog on a leash. Keep your cats in separate carriers or boxes or leave them in your car. Owners may be held responsible for their pets and for any damage they cause.

The only method of payment accepted is cash. Please bring exact change to pay the cost of \$10 per animal. Please do not bring rolled coins. Checks will not be accepted.

For more information, call the Environmental Health Division of the Cumberland County Public Health Department at 433-3660.

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