## WHAT IS RABIES? A 100% preventable disease

The most common way to get rabies, is through the bite of a rabid animal (such as a bat)

## **Prevention tips for people**

- Avoid direct contact with wildlife
- Know the risk of infected bats and rabid dogs
- If bit or scratched by an animal, wash with soap and water immediately
- Unsure of what to do after a bit, or scratch from an animal? Contact a healthcare provider right away
- Vaccinating pets is a helpful way to protect your family and others!

## & pets!

- Keep pets up to date for all rabies shots
- Stray animals in your neighborhood? These animals may be vaccinated
- Do you have a dead bat in your yard?
  Contact the Franklin Health Department for more information next steps: 414-425-9101



For more information, visit: cdc.gov/rabies