Rabies vaccination is required by law in Ontario because it can be transmitted between humans and animals. Talk to your vet about how to protect your pet from rabies.

Rabies is transmitted through bites from a rabid animal.

Rabies symptoms in pets:

- Loss of appetite or difficulty eating or drinking
- Behavioural change:
  - More quiet or depressed
  - Unusually friendly when normally timid
  - Increased aggression
- Drooling excessively
- Biting the site of the wound exposed to rabies
- Overreacting to touch, sound or light
- Becoming partially or completely paralyzed
- Staggering or falling
- Once a pet shows symptoms, it will usually die within 7-10 days

Rabies is transmitted through saliva, brain or spinal tissue from an infected animal, dead or alive, in an open wound, eyes, mouth or nose.

* www.ontario.ca/page/rabies-pets

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