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Mobile County Health Department schedules June rabies clinics

The Mobile County Health Department has scheduled the following rabies clinics for June:

- Saturday, June 5, City of Mobile Animal Shelter, 855 Owens St, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
- Saturday, June 12, Pet Supplies Plus, 803 Hillcrest Rd, 1:30 p.m. – 4 p.m.
- Saturday, June 19, Pet Supplies Plus, 803 Hillcrest Rd, 1:30 p.m. – 4 p.m.
- Saturday, June 26, Mobile County Animal Control, 7665 Howells Ferry Rd, 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

The cost of the shots will be \$8 per pet.

Rabies and its symptoms

Rabies is a virus that attacks the central nervous system. It is transmitted from infected mammals to man and is fatal once symptoms appear. Symptoms of rabies include unusual behavior, irritability, headache, fever, inability to eat or drink, balance problems, circling, seizures, coma, and, finally, death. All warm-blooded mammals, including man, are susceptible to rabies.

Preventing the spread of rabies

Exposure to rabies may be minimized by eliminating all stray cats and dogs; having pet dogs, cats and ferrets vaccinated; staying away from wild animals, especially those acting abnormally; and not keeping exotic or wild animals as pets.

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