

Defined terms: "County" § 1-101  
"Health officer" § 1-101  
"Person" § 1-101  
"Public health veterinarian" § 18-312

18-317. COST OF TREATMENT.

THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PAY THE COST OF ANY ANTIRABIES TREATMENT THAT AN INDIVIDUAL REQUIRES, IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS UNABLE TO PAY FOR THE TREATMENT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the second sentence of former Article 43, § 615B.

The term "antirabies treatment" is substituted for the obsolete term "Pasteur treatment", to conform to Department practice.

The term "individual" is substituted for the narrower reference "bite victim", since an individual does not need to be bitten to be exposed to rabies. See § 18-316 of this subtitle.

Defined term: "Department" § 1-101

18-318. VACCINATIONS -- DOGS.

(A) VACCINATION REQUIRED.

EACH PERSON WHO OWNS OR KEEPS A DOG THAT IS 4 MONTHS OLD OR OLDER SHALL HAVE THE DOG VACCINATED ADEQUATELY AGAINST RABIES.

(B) PROOF OF VACCINATION.

(1) A COUNTY MAY NOT REGISTER OR LICENSE A DOG, UNLESS THE PERSON WHO OWNS OR KEEPS THE DOG SUBMITS, WITH THE APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OR LICENSE, PROOF THAT THE DOG HAS BEEN VACCINATED ADEQUATELY AGAINST RABIES.

(2) THE PUBLIC HEALTH VETERINARIAN SHALL DETERMINE THE PROOF OF VACCINATION THAT IS ACCEPTABLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Article 43, § 616(a).

In subsection (a) of this section, the word "adequately" is added to modify "vaccinated", to clarify that a vaccination must be kept current. This addition is based on the requirements of subsection (b) of this section.