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Public Health Advisory

Foxes in Grise Fiord

February 10, 2021
Grise Fiord, Nunavut

The Department of Health would like to notify residents of Grise Fiord that there has been an increase in fox sightings in and around the community**.**

Due to the danger of rabies, we advise all residents to be on the lookout for foxes in the area.

If you have been bitten or scratched by a fox or a dog, go to the hospital and report the incident **immediately**. Treatment must be started quickly after exposure, as rabies infections is almost always fatal.

Domestic animals that spend the majority of time tied up outdoors should be monitored for a change in behaviour and signs of rabies.

Signs of rabies include behaving strangely, staggering, frothing at the mouth, choking or making strange noises. Animals exhibiting these signs should be avoided and reported to the Regional Environmental Health Office or Conservations Officer.

If you see a fox or wolf wandering around the community, or if your dog had contact with a fox or wolf, **call the Conservation Officer** at 867-980-4164 or **the Regional Environmental Health Officer** at 867-975-4817.

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