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Section 955.61 Dog attack notifications.

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(A)(1) If a health care provider or a licensed veterinarian has knowledge of a person being bitten or injured as a result of an attack by a dog or other non-human mammal, the provider or veterinarian shall report the bite or injury, not later than twenty-four hours after obtaining such knowledge, to the health commissioner of the health district in which the bite occurred.

(2) A person who is bitten or injured as a result of an attack by a dog or other non-human mammal may report the bite or injury to the health commissioner of the health district in which the bite occurred.

(B) A city or general health district board of health shall annually submit a report regarding non-human mammalian bites and injuries occurring in its district to the department of health not later than the first day of March of each year. The report shall include information about the bites and injuries that occurred in the previous calendar year.