

**Zoonotics Disease Rules Interagency Workgroup  
November 20, 2008  
Meeting Notes**

**Workgroup Attendees**

Diana Yu, Rachel Wood, Nedda Turner, Sean Carrell, Paul Kohrs, Sharon Hopkins, Harvey Crowder, Marcia Goldoft, Kristin Mansfield

**Guests**

Paul J. Miller, Mitch Ragan

<b>Rabies</b>
<b>Consensus Items</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Do not place ban of hybrids in WAC</li><li>o Manage dogs, cats, and ferrets in the same manner</li><li>o Manage all other animals, including hybrids, in a different manner</li><li>o Use a more flexible reference to animals for which vaccine is approved rather than naming specific animals</li><li>o Correct reference to WAC 16-54-180(8)</li></ul>
<b>Further Discussion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Should rules mandate rabies vaccination of dogs, cats, and ferrets or should this type of precaution apply only to animals in public settings?</li></ul>
<b>Psittacosis</b>
<b>Consensus Items</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Reference compendium for standard of treatment for birds</li><li>o Refine current requirements for vendors</li></ul>
<b>Public Settings</b>
<b>Consensus Items</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Focus on public education</li><li>o Provide basic standards in rule</li><li>o Provide most information in easy-to-use guidance</li></ul>
<b>General Measures</b>
<b>Consensus Items</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Point of sale information for reptiles, amphibians, chicks, and ducklings</li><li>o Ban turtles with a carapace length of less than four inches</li></ul>
<b>Mr. Paul J. Miller</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Mr. Miller provided his perspective on rabies regulation</li></ul>
<b>Next steps</b>
<b>SBOH/DOH will:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Request workgroup participation from the Washington Association of Police Chiefs and Sheriffs, preferably from a small county without animal control</li><li>o Schedule the next workgroup meeting for the latter part of February</li><li>o Draft rule text based on discussion and provide it to the workgroup for review prior to the next meeting</li></ul>