Follow these reptile handling tips to safely enjoy your pets!

**Wash** your hands thoroughly after you handle your pet reptile, its food or anything it has touched.

**Keep** reptiles out of homes and child care settings with children under 5 or people with weakened immune systems.

**Enjoy** your pet reptile, but don’t nuzzle or kiss it.

**Cage** your pet reptile in a habitat designed for it; don’t let it roam around your home.

**Keep** your pet reptile and its equipment out of the kitchen or any area where food is prepared.

Questions?
Contact your local health department with questions or for more information.