

Date: May 13, 2015

ATTN: Medical Health Officers and Branch Offices
Directors of Health Protection
Communicable Disease Environmental Health Officers
Public Health Nursing Administrators and Assistant Administrators
Holders of Communicable Disease Control Manuals

Re: **Revisions to Communicable Disease Control Manual:
Chapter 1 – Management of Specific Diseases, Rabies**

Numerous minor updates were made throughout Chapter 1– Management of Specific Diseases, Rabies to capture programmatic and administrative changes. No important content area changes were made. Changes of note are highlighted here:

Pages 9-10, Section 3.2.2

This section was revised to align with the new BC rabies guidance for veterinarians.

Page 19, Section 4.6

Language was clarified to encourage clinicians to call the MHO rather than BCCDC. Pager numbers for BCCDC were updated.

Page 21-22, Section 6.0

All references to iPHIS were removed.

Page 26-37, Appendices

Appendix A: A contact list was added.

Appendix D: The case report form was revised to improve data collection and align with Panorama.

**Please remove and destroy the following from the Communicable Disease Control Manual,
Chapter 1 – Management of Specific Diseases, Rabies**

Table of Contents
Pages 1 to 33

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**Please insert the following in the Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 1- Management
of Specific Diseases, Rabies**

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Pages 1 to 37

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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me (604-707-2558; eleni.galanis@bccdc.ca).

Sincerely,



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