



Rabies Vaccine Declination Statement:

The following statement of declination of rabies vaccination must be signed by an employee with potential exposure to rabies who chooses not to accept the vaccine. The statement can only be signed by the employee following appropriate training regarding rabies, rabies vaccine, the efficacy, safety, method of administration, and benefits of vaccination, and that the vaccinations are provided free of charge to the employee. The statement is not a waiver; employees can request and receive the rabies vaccination at a later date if they remain occupationally at risk for rabies.

Declination Statement

I understand that due to my occupational exposure to animals at risk for carrying the rabies virus, I may be at risk of acquiring rabies infection. I have been given the opportunity to be vaccinated with the rabies vaccine, at no charge to me; however, I decline rabies vaccination at this time. I understand that by declining this vaccine, I continue to be at risk of acquiring rabies, a potentially fatal disease. If, in the future, I continue to have occupational exposure to animals at risk for carrying the rabies virus and I want to be vaccinated with the rabies vaccine, I can receive the vaccination series at no charge to me. Likewise, it is recommended that titers to confirm continued immunity be drawn every two years after vaccination; if immunity has waned, a booster vaccination is recommended at that time. These serologic tests and vaccine boosters will likewise be offered at no charge to me.

Signature of Faculty/Staff

Date

Printed Name

Date of Birth

Employee ID number

Department



Rabies Antibody Titer Declination Statement:

The following statement of declination of rabies antibody titer surveillance must be signed by an employee who has received the primary rabies vaccination series and has continuing potential exposure to rabies, but chooses not to have antibody titers drawn. The statement can only be signed by the employee following appropriate training regarding rabies, rabies vaccine, the rationale for following rabies antibody titers and for administration of booster vaccine, efficacy, safety, and administration of booster vaccine, and benefits of following titer levels and booster administration. The employee must be informed that the blood draw and booster, if necessary, are provided free of charge to the employee. The statement is not a waiver employees can request and receive the titer levels and booster (if necessary) at a later date if they remain occupationally at risk for rabies.

Declination Statement

I understand that due to my continuing occupational exposure to animals at risk for carrying the rabies virus, I may be at risk of acquiring rabies infection. It is therefore recommended that antibody titers be checked every two years, and booster immunization given if immunity has waned. I have been given the opportunity to have these titers drawn, and the booster given to me if needed, at no cost to me; however, I decline follow-up at this time. I understand that by declining this follow-up, I cannot be certain that I continue to have adequate protection against acquiring rabies, a potentially fatal disease. If, in the future, I continue to have occupational exposure to animals at risk for carrying the rabies virus and I want to have titers drawn and a booster vaccine if needed, I can receive these services at no charge to me

Signature of Faculty/Staff

Date

Printed Name

DOB

Employee ID number

Department