

**UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-ST. LOUIS  
RABIES EXPOSURE CONTROL PROGRAM  
PRE-EXPOSURE IMMUNIZATION DECLINATION**

The University of Missouri Collected Rules and Regulations recommends that "all personnel ... working with animals that are raised in other than a laboratory setting should be immunized against rabies virus" (Chapter 400.010, part E).

I understand that due to my occupational/educational exposure to rabies-susceptible animals or other potentially infected material, I may be at risk of acquiring rabies virus infection. I have been advised of the need to receive pre-exposure immunization. However, I decline immunization at this time.

I understand that by declining this immunization I continue to be at risk of acquiring rabies, a fatal disease. If in the future I continue to have exposure to rabies-susceptible animals or other potentially infected material and I want to be immunized, I can receive the pre-exposure immunization series.

By voluntarily declining pre-exposure rabies immunization as recommended by the UM Collected Rules and Regulations and the UM-St. Louis Animal-Human Rabies Exposure Policy, I hereby release the Curators of the University of Missouri (for UM-St. Louis) and its employees from any claim of liability resulting from my exposure to, or death from, rabies virus or any animal suspected of harboring rabies virus.

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(Signature)

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(Date)

Witnessed (Instructor or Principal Investigator)

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