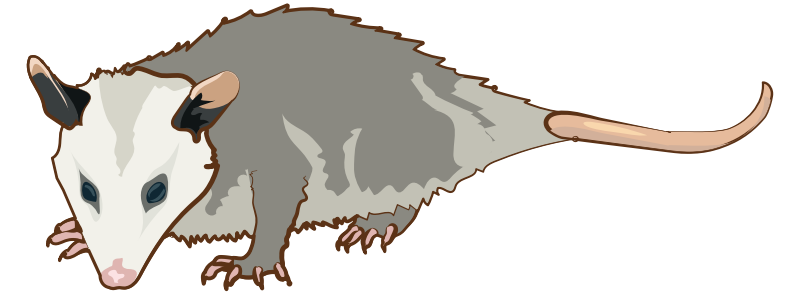
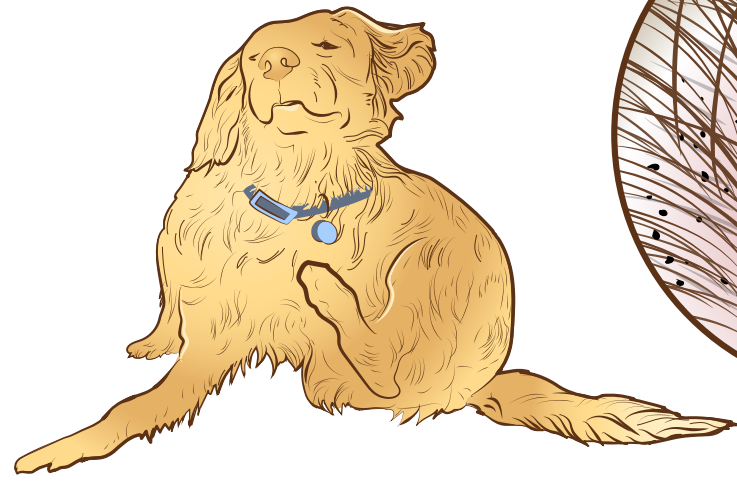


# Flea-borne Typhus | What You Need to Know

Flea-borne typhus is caused by bacteria found in infected fleas or their poop (also called flea dirt).



You can come into contact with fleas or flea dirt and not even know it.



Pets can bring fleas into and around your home.

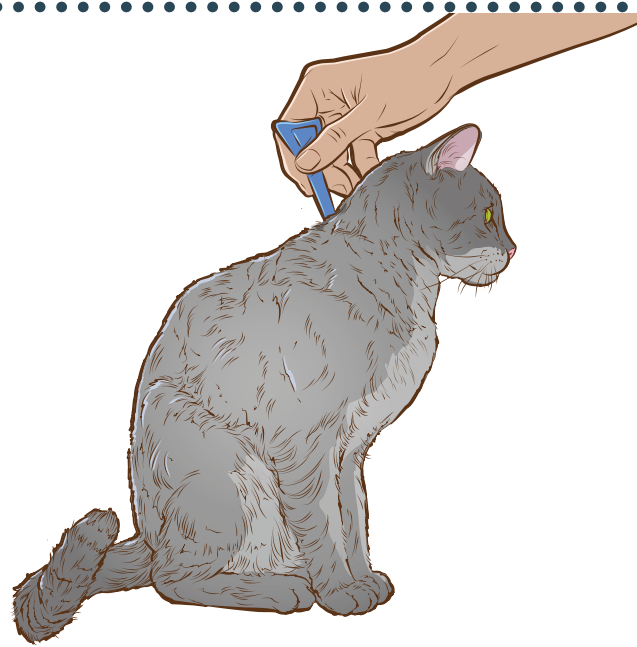


Trash and food waste may attract rats and other pests to your home.

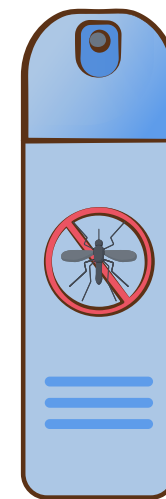


Fleas can be found on stray or wild animals (such as cats, rats, or opossums) near your home.

Prevent contact with fleas:



Treat pets for fleas.



Use EPA-registered insect repellent when outdoors.



Keep rodents away from your home:  
Seal up holes!  
Trap rats and mice!  
Clean up trash!

See your healthcare provider if you develop fever, body aches, nausea, vomiting or rash after coming in contact with fleas or stray or wild animals.



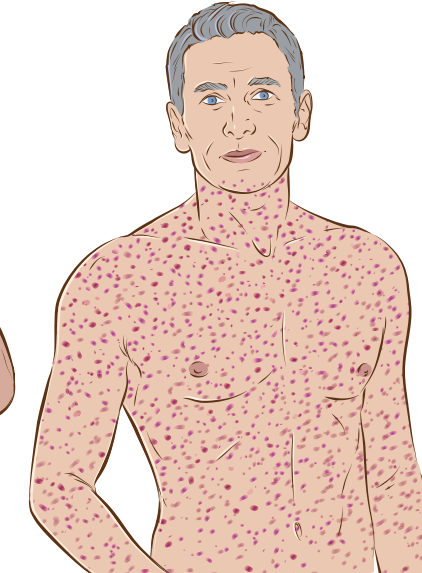
Fever



Muscle aches



Nausea, vomiting, or stomach pain



Rash



Flea-borne typhus is treatable, so see your healthcare provider right away!

For more information, contact:



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