Dog Mediated human Rabies IN THE AMERICAS

The results achieved in the past 36 years support the statement that human rabies from canine origin (variants 1 and 2) can be eliminated in the American Continent by 2022



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Dog mediated human rabies in Continental America in the last 12 months



Millions of dogs vaccinated annually during rabies vaccination campaigns

The region of the Americas shows a favorable situation in relation to the global situation due to the fact that countries develop their elimination programs efficiently and maintain an adequate dog vaccination coverage to avoid the reintroduction of human rabies.

Successful experiences in the Americas



Most countries
in the Americas have managed
to eliminate rabies in their
canine populations

100% of human cases can be prevented by vaccinating canine populations and providing effective and opportune access to Post Exposure Prophylaxis to people at risk.





The most frequently used and recommended rabies vaccines in the countries of the Americas are inactivated vaccines produced in cell cultures

PAHO Regional Strategy

- Strengthen the capacity of national rabies programs
- Implement mass dog vaccination campaigns every year
- Vaccination coverage of at least 80% of total dog population
- Improve access, availability and quality of immunobiological to health care for people exposed to rabies
- The 1st REDIPRA Meeting of Directors of Rabies Programs of the Americas was held in 1983. Since then, 16 meetings have been organized to review and direct actions
 - Strengthen laboratory diagnostic capacity

The actions toward the elimination of dog mediated human rabies in the Americas started in 1983, through PAHO Regional

Program for the Elimination of Rabies, coordinated by PANAFTOSA/PAHO.

(officially)
reported case
in the Americas
occurred in
December
2018

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Since 1983, the incidence of dog mediated human rabies in the Americas has declined by 95% and 98% in humans and dogs, respectively.

The Pan American Health
Organization (PAHO) has set
the goal of eliminating dog
mediated human rabies in the
Americas by 2022

Dog Mediated Human Rabies in the Americas

1983	1990	2000	2010	2018	2019 (Sep)	2022
258	224	59	6	13	0	0

Rabies in Dogs in the Americas

1983	1990	2000	2010	2018	2019 (Sep)
11.276	7.760	1.958	400	163	41

