

RODENT BORNE DISEASES



TYPES OF TRANSMISSION:

DIRECT CONTACT
items contaminated with rodent faeces, urine, blood and saliva or improper handling of a dead rodent

BITES & SCRATCHES
by a rodent



INHALATION
air contaminated with rodent faeces and urine

INGESTION
contaminated food or drink

TYPES OF DISEASES:



SALMONELLOSIS

- The main cause of salmonella in humans
- Easily transmitted between humans due to poor hand hygiene

LEPTOSPIROSIS

- More common in tropical areas
- Can be treated with antibiotics

PLAGUE

- Caused by infected fleas which pass the disease onto rodents
- Can lead to death if not treated quickly

WEIL'S DISEASE

- 10% of leptospirosis cases develop into Weil's Disease
- Can cause organ failure and internal bleeding

RAT BITE FEVER

- Caused by two forms of bacteria
- Symptoms differ depending on strand of bacteria infection

HANATAVIRUS

- Mortality rate of 38%
- Voles and mice are the main culprits of this disease



SIGNS OF INFECTION



CHEST PAINS

NAUSEA OR VOMITTING



FEVER

CHILLS



RASH



PREVENTION TIPS:

AVOID HANDLING A DEAD RODENT

- Dead rodents carry a wide range of different diseases
- If you do have to handle a dead rodent, be sure to wear proper protection such as rubber gloves, a HEPA mask and disinfect the area thoroughly after



PROOF YOUR HOME

- Repair any and all damages to your home
- Use wire mesh and expanding foam on any exposed areas such as pipes and air vents
- Install bristle or brush strips to the bottom of doors



CONTACT A PROFESSIONAL

- Enlist the help of a pest control professional to help prevent and get rid of any rodents on your property



Do you have a rodent problem?

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