

Dog Bite Incident Response

Steps to take after a dog bite in Centennial

Based on Centennial Dog Bite Lawyer by McCormick and Murphy

Step 1: Seek Immediate Medical Attention

Visit a doctor right away, even for minor wounds. A doctor will clean the wound, check for infection, provide necessary vaccinations, and create official documentation of your injury.

- Ensure the doctor documents all aspects of your injury.



Step 2: Gather Dog Owner Information

Obtain the dog owner's contact details.



Step 3: Verify Rabies Vaccination Status

Confirm that the dog has received its rabies vaccination.



Step 4: Document Your Injuries

Take photographs of your injuries.



Step 5: Document the Attack Location

Take photographs of the place where the dog bite occurred.



Step 6: Report the Incident

Notify Arapahoe County Animal Control about the dog bite.



Step 7: Preserve All Records

Keep all medical records, bills, and any documentation related to missed work or school.

- Organize your documents for easy access.

Resources & Further Reading

Related guides for this process:

■ Dog Bite Incident Checklist

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■ Dog Bite Action Sheet

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Prompt action and thorough documentation are key after a dog bite.