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MEDIA RELEASE

INCIDENT TYPE:	DATE/TIME REPORTED:
Animal Bite	4/26/14 1010 hours
INCIDENT NUMBER:	LOCATION:
14BU10292	51 Adams Court
INVESTIGATOR:	INVESTIGATOR CONTACT:
CSO Corrow	(802) 540-2256
AUTHOR:	APPROVED BY:
Joseph Corrow	Lt. Dennis Duffy
VICTIM:	AGE: VICTIM ADDRESS:
Adult female	53 Adams Court
SUSPECT:	AGE: SUSPECT ADDRESS:
N/A	
SUSPECT DISPOSITION:	

NARRATIVE:

On 4/26/14 at approximately 1010 hours, an adult female of Adams Court in Burlington Vermont was bitten by a large adult raccoon in her driveway; the bite was unprovoked. She did sustain injuries and was treated at Fletcher Allen Health Care. A search of the surrounding area was conducted but the animal was not located.

At this time it's uncertain if this particular animal has rabies. The public should be aware the first symptoms of rabies may be nonspecific and include lethargy, fever, vomiting, and anorexia. Signs progress within days to cerebral dysfunction, cranial nerve dysfunction, ataxia, weakness, paralysis, seizures, difficulty breathing, difficulty swallowing, excessive salivation, abnormal behavior, aggression, and/or self-mutilation. If you do observe an animal that you think might be rabid please do not approach the animal, we ask that you call the Burlington Police Department at (802) 658-2700.