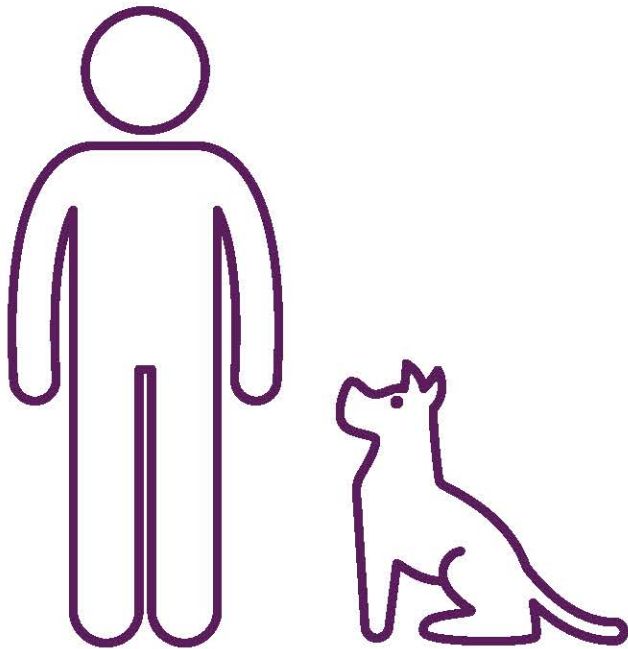


## Dogs

**Bites from displaced dogs are the most commonly reported animal bite. If you see a displaced dog:**

- Dogs are more likely to bite other dogs than people. When walking your own pet dog, avoid areas where free-roaming dogs may be present.
- If another dog attacks your dog, don't put any part of your body between the dogs. Consider carrying a stick or another sturdy object that you can safely use to try to keep the aggressive dog away.
- Do not make eye-to-eye contact with a stray dog or any animal that's being aggressive.
- Report aggressive dogs to local authorities, such as animal control or law enforcement.



## Wildlife

**Following a storm, you are more likely to see displaced wildlife.**

- If you see a snake, stay back. To avoid bites, stay out of tall grass or wear thick boots, and keep hands and feet out of areas you can't see, especially when picking up storm debris. Very few snakes produce venom, but if you think you may have been bitten by a poisonous snake, call poison control right away at **1-800-222-1222** and seek medical care.
- Alligators may be observed more frequently in flooded areas after a storm. If you believe a specific alligator poses a threat to people, pets or property, call the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's (FWC) hotline at **866-FWC-GATOR (866-392-4286)**.

