Protect Yourself & Your Neighbors from Flea-Borne Typhus

Flea-borne typhus is a disease that infected fleas can spread to humans. Several cases of flea-borne typhus were found recently in your area. Fleas can come from many types of animals including cats, rats, and opossums.

Follow these steps to keep your family and pets safe from flea-borne typhus.

1. Use flea control products for your pets, yard, and home.
2. Do not sleep with your pet. It increases the chance that a flea on the pet may bite you.
3. Use insect repellent containing DEET when outside.
4. Do not feed stray animals.
5. Keep stray animals from sleeping or hiding near your home.
6. Store your trash in cans with secure lids.

Communities working together to get rid of flea-borne typhus.

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