

Disease	Transmission	Symptoms
Rabies *Zoonosis*	Rabies is a virus transmitted by a bite or contact with the saliva from an infected animal.	Rabies attacks the central nervous system, and causes changes in behavior, nervousness, staggering (abnormal gait), excessive salivation, isolation, and sudden aggression.
Panleukopenia	Feline Panleukopenia is an extremely resistant virus that can stay active on surfaces for nearly one year.	Fever, anorexia, weight loss, vomiting, diarrhea, severe dehydration, weakness, tremors. Could even lead to death. *This disease is very difficult to treat.*
Rhinotracheitis	“Rhino” is an upper respiratory disease that spreads easily from one cat to another through direct contact or inhaling secretions from an infected cat. Some cats may be carriers of the disease all their lives.	Secretions from eyes and nose, sneezing, coughing, congestion, sores in the nose and mouth, fever, lethargy, loss of appetite.
Calicivirus	Calicivirus is another upper respiratory disease. The virus is very contagious from cat to cat. Some cats may be carriers of the disease all of their lives.	Pustules and ulcers on the tongue and in the mouth, coughing, runny nose and fever. If this virus is not treated, it can lead to pneumonia.
Chlamydia *Zoonosis*	Chlamydia is a chronic disease of the respiratory tract. It is transmitted through direct contact from cat to cat. Transmission to humans may be seen in the form of conjunctivitis.	Runny nose, inflamed and runny eyes leading to conjunctivitis, sometimes sneezing or even pneumonia.
Feline Leukemia virus (FELV):	FELV decreases immunity against other diseases such as pneumonia. FELV can also cause cancer in some cats. It is spread by direct contact from cat to cat. (shared litterbox, nose to nose, bite...etc)	Fever, anemia, cat gives the impression of being constantly ill, chronic diarrhea, chronic gingivitis. Often leads to death.
Feline Infectious peritonitis (FIP)	FIP is a dangerous virus that spreads rapidly throughout the body of the cat via the bloodstream. It is transmitted by contact with the bodily fluid of an infected cat.	Accumulation of fluid in the abdominal cavity, sometimes persistent fever, lesions in the eyes, depression, weight loss, jaundice. Unfortunately, death is almost always inevitable.



**Legend:**  
**ZOONOSIS: A zoonosis is a communicable disease between animals and humans.**

