# Chronic Wasting Disease

**CWD** 



This is a progressive, fatal disease of the central nervous system that attacks cervids (e.g. deer, moose, elk, and caribou). There is currently no treatment.

## **SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS\***

Uncoordinated movements

Similar symptoms may be observed in other diseases.

\*Sometimes no clinical symptoms are shown.

**Excessive thirst** 

**Emaciated** 

Drooping head

**CWD SAMPLING** 

MNRF staff annually test wild deer and other cervids in Ontario.

Since **2002**, Ontario has tested more than **13,000** wild deer and elk



And over **3,100** farmed deer and elk for the disease



All tests have been negative



#### **LOCATION**

CWD has been found in 3 Canadian provinces:



Alberta



Saskatchewan



Quebec

## Also in 26 US states



## LEGAL

### CANNOT

Bring in most body parts (brain, spinal column, etc.) of cervids from other provinces or states.

Use products that contain bodily fluids from any cervids for any purpose, including hunting.



## **MUST**

Hold a permit to transport live, captive cervids into, through or between points within the province.



#### **CONTACT**



If you see a sick deer, report it to the Canadian Wildlife Health Cooperative at 1-866-673-4781 or the Natural Resources Information and Support Centre 1-800-667-1940.



More information and details regarding CWD regulations at ontario.ca/cwd