

Disease can be spread by birds.

Psittacosis

Psittacosis (also known as parrot fever or ornithosis) causes flu-like symptoms in people. It can also lead to pneumonia and other serious health problems. You can get psittacosis by breathing dust from dried droppings, secretions, and dust from feathers of infected birds.



Watch for Signs of Infection

In You

Fever
Headache
Chills
Coughing
Muscle Aches

In Your Bird

Loss of Appetite
Coughing
Nasal Discharge
Sneezing
Ruffled Feathers
Lethargy
Diarrhea

- If you develop signs and have been near pet birds, contact your health care provider.
- If your bird develops signs, contact your veterinarian.