

Canine and Feline Adult Preventive Care and Vaccine Schedule

Wellness Exam

 This is your pet's annual physical exam. This helps keep your furry kid happy, active, and healthy for years to come. We'll evaluate any health concerns you may have, perform a full physical exam from nose to tail, discuss nutritional needs, check teeth for any buildup or disease, and update vaccines as needed.

Parasite Exam (Internal and External)

- o Dogs:
 - Let's face it- our dogs eat things they shouldn't. Your pet will be screened for any internal and external hitch-hikers and appropriate treatment recommended. Fleas and ticks, especially ticks, are very prevalent in our area; even in late fall and early spring. As soon as it is over 30 degrees for more than 24 hours ticks start coming out.
- Cats
 - Even indoor only cats can get parasites including fleas. Usually these are from outside sources such as your shoes or other pets entering the house.

Wellness screening

- Your pet needs annual labwork so we can detect changes and potential disease processes before they are a problem; at least to the extent we can. Think of this as your pet's internal physical exam.
 - Cats and Dogs
 - A complete blood screen (a urine screen is included in cats) is highly recommended for any patient over 3 years old. Studies show that 1 in 4 patients have an underlying condition that wouldn't have been detected without this screening.
 - Dogs Only
 - Tick-borne disease such as lyme, erlichia, and anaplasmosis as well as heartworm disease are tested for every year



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Monthly Preventions

- Cats
 - We carry RevolutionPlus to control fleas, ticks, and it also works as a dewormer for our feline friends
- Dogs
 - GREAT NEWS! We carry Nexgard and Heartgard which come as treats (given by mouth)! And if you buy them in 6 month or 12 months supplies we guarantee we are less than Chewy.com!
 - Heartworms
 - We live next to the beautiful Mississippi River which also comes with mosquitoes. Those pesky bugs can transport heartworm disease from pet to pet and it is important to keep your dog on heartworm prevention.
 - Fleas and Ticks
 - Oh My! Fleas are common in our area and ticks are, well, everywhere. While no one wants these critters on their pet in their house; they also carry diseases you and your pet don't want. We recommend these year round.



Canine Vaccine Schedule

Not all vaccines are right for all dogs. Your veterinarian will help you decide which vaccines are right for you and your furry companion depending on lifestyle and exposure level.

- Rabies (Lyssavirus)
 - This is a fatal disease and vaccination is required by Iowa state law.
 - When: 1st vaccine between 12-16 weeks of age
 - o Booster: 1 year after initial vaccine and every 3 years after that.
 - Please note that lowa law requires any patient overdue on rabies vaccine, even by 1 day, to revaccinate with a 1 year booster.
 - o **DAPP** (Distemper, adenovirus 1 and 2, parainfluenza, parvovirus)
 - This is a core vaccine and your puppy should be vaccinated BEFORE meeting other puppies or dog.
 - When: Starting as early as 6 weeks and continuing every 3 weeks through 16 weeks
 - Booster: 1 year after initial series. Every 3 years after that.
 - Kennel Cough (Bordetella)
 - Needed for any pet going to dog parks, daycare, grooming, boarding, etc
 - When: As early as 6 weeks
 - Booster: Yearly. High risk individuals may require every 6-9 month boosters
 - Leptospirosis
 - Shed by wildlife and farm animals and found in many water sources including puddles
 - When: As early as 8 weeks. Requires 2 vaccines 3-4 weeks apart.
 - Booster: Yearly after initial 2 vaccine series.
 - Lyme (Borrelia)
 - TICKS! They are everywhere and lyme disease is VERY active in our area
 - When: As early as 8 weeks. Requires 2 vaccines 3-4 weeks apart
 - Booster: Yearly after initial 2 vaccine series



Feline Vaccine Schedule

Not all vaccines are right for all cats. Your veterinarian will help you decide which vaccines are right for you and your cat depending on lifestyle and exposure level.

- Rabies (Lyssavirus)
 - o This is a fatal disease and vaccination is required by Iowa state law.
 - When: Every 1-3 years depending on vaccine used
 - Please note that lowa law requires any patient overdue on rabies vaccine, even by 1 day, to revaccinate with a 1 year booster.
 - o **FVRCP** (Rhinotracheitis, Calici, and Panleukopenia)
 - This is a core vaccine often referred to as "Distemper."
 - When: 1yr after initial 2 dose series; Every 3 years thereafter
 - Feline Leukemia (FeLV)
 - This is a contagious and fatal disease in cats. Outdoor and indoor/outdoor cats should have this vaccine. Indoor only cats have a much lower exposure and you and your veterinarian can decide if continuing this vaccine is right for your cat.
 - When: Yearly after initial 2 dose series
 - Feline Immunodeficiency (FIV)
 - FIV is a contagious virus among cats and is sometimes referred to as Feline AIDs. While there is a vaccine available it is not recommended unless exposure is extremely high; such as living in the same household as an FIV positive housemate. In addition, the vaccine will cause a false positive FIV test. A microchip and prior FIV negative test are required before vaccination.
 - Feline Infectious Peritonitis (FIP)
 - FIP is a fatal disease in kittens and cats. There was an FIP vaccine available however it has not been shown to be effective. Therefore, we do not recommend or offer this vaccine.