ANNUAL CARE FOR HEALTHY CANINES

Vaccines:

Core Vaccines (all dogs should receive these):

- Rabies (3-year vaccine)
    - Dogs will need to be boostered in 1 year initially
- DHPP (Distemper/Hepatitis/Parvo/Parainfluenza) (annual vaccine)
    - Dogs will need to be boostered monthly 2-3 times (8-12-16 week intervals)

Common Optional Vaccines:

- Lyme (annual vaccine)
    - Prevents against this tick-borne illness
    - Dogs will need to be boostered within a month
- Leptospirosis (annual vaccine)
    - Prevents against disease transmitted through standing water and wildlife
    - Dogs will need to be boostered within a month
- Bordetella (annual vaccine)
    - Kennel cough vaccine
    - Aids in the prevention against infectious tracheobronchitis

Other Vaccines Available:

- Canine Influenza (annual vaccine)

Test Samples:

1) Blood test to check for heartworm (spread by mosquitoes). Check once/year
2) Fecal test to check for parasites (worms/protozoan/parasites). Check once to twice/year

Preventatives:

1) Flea/tick prevention - One per month in warmer months (typically April-November)
2) Heartworm prevention - One per month all year round (or alternately April-December if staying in colder climate)

Other:

- Annual physical exam once/year
- After age 7, we recommend blood profiles annually (evaluates blood values/organ function)
- Dental disease typically starts to occur mid-life (younger in small breeds), consider annual dental cleanings once dental disease starts to occur.

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