More Information!!!

Because there are many factors that are not within our control, we can not extend our health guarantee to environmental factors (which is why we provide this information)! This includes parasites and viruses. It also includes ingestion hazards and obstructions (from eating toys, or other things that are NOT meant to be eaten!), injuries from jumping, over-exercising, etc. Puppies cannot be fully vaccinated until 16 weeks of age, and therefore lack immunity to viruses until then. The pup's new family will need to make responsible and careful decisions to limit exposure to potentially harmful viruses. For example, taking a 10 week old puppy to the dog park is highly unsafe, and puts your puppy at risk of many viruses, such as Parvo and Distemper.

- 1. OVER-FEEDING: While it may not seem like a huge deal, over-feeding your puppy/dog can lead to many health issues!! We highly recommend taking your puppy OFF of puppy food at 6 months! Switch to adult food!
 - Can cause a nutrition imbalance, causing your puppy to grow TOO QUICKLY!!!
 - Joint Issues
 - Too much weight on the joints leads to early degradation.
 - Causes most cases of environmental hip/elbow dysplasia.
 - Bone growth and development issues
 - Increased risk of heart disease
 - Digestive Issues

• Can cause diarrhea and lead to a weaker immune system! That being said: Please don't over feed your puppy! These little ones will eat an entire 50lb bag of dog food and beg for more if you let them! Don't let their little puppy-dog eyes trick you! Here is an average of how much we recommend! (Note: Amount may vary depending on your puppy's size, and activity level, as well as the type of food!)

- 8 Weeks:
 - ³/₄ cup for breakfast
 - ¹/₂ cup at noon
 - ³⁄₄ cup for dinner
- 3-4 Months:
 - 1 cup for breakfast
 - ¹/₂ cup at noon
 - 1 cup for dinner
- 5-6 Months:
 - 1 ¼ cup for breakfast
 - \circ 1 ¹/₄ cup for dinner
- 7-12 Months:
 - 1¹/₂ cup for breakfast

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- 1-2 Years:
 - 1³/₄ cup for breakfast
 - 1 ³⁄₄ cup for dinner
- 2 Years+
 - 2 cups for breakfast
 - 2 cups for dinner
- 2. EXERCISE: Everyone wants to play with the puppy and teach it new tricks! However, here are some things to avoid:
 - Too much exercise
 - Can cause early degradation of the joints.
 - Jumping from high surfaces, or onto hard surfaces.
 - Puppies joints are not fully formed yet, as they have quite a bit more growing to do! The direct force of jumping off something, onto a hard surface can cause too much extra stress on the elbows! Try to limit it!
 - Overexertion when trying to jump onto something too high can lead to hip issues in the future!

3. DEWORMING AND VACCINATIONS:

- We recommend you deworm your puppy/dog every 3-4 months (once a season), to ensure your best friend didn't pick up any friends while he/she was adventuring!
- Rabies vaccine at 4 months

Parasites (Internal and External)

Your puppy can pick up a parasites ANYWHERE! This includes just being outside in your own backyard! It is HIGHLY important to get your puppy on a routine parasite prevention program. This is what your puppy has so far for his/her parasite prevention program!

0-5 Weeks: Omni-WormGuard Plus

Pups are still nursing at this age! We always ensure the dam of the litter is receiving Omni-WormGuard Plus in her food three times a week. It is completely safe for the puppies, protects them from internal parasites, and supplies them with extra probiotics through the milk! 6 Weeks - 16 Weeks: Omni-WormGuard Plus Every 2 weeks for 3 days in a row.

Omni-WormGuard Plus contains probiotics as well as treatment for the following:

- Tapeworms
- Pinworms
- Roundworms
- Threadworms
- Hookworms
- Giardia
- Coccidia

Even with your puppy being dewormed, pups can still pick up a parasite! That is why it is SOOO important to ensure you speak with your veterinarian, and follow their guidelines on what you need to be targeting when you deworm, and how often! Deworming is very simple! You don't have to worry about how you are going to get your dog to take the dewormer, because there are so many options available! There are chewable "treats", liquid dewormers you can mix in their food, and even powders! It is also recommended to ask your vet about external parasite control! That would include things such as fleas and ticks. Prevention strategies for external parasites also come in many different ways! There are flea/tick collars, "treats", and even shampoos!

Vaccinations

We vaccinate our puppies every 2-3 weeks, from the age of 6 weeks, until 16 weeks! After 16 weeks, we vaccinate once a year! Our usual vaccination schedule is as follows:

6, 8, 11, 14, and 16 Weeks: DHPP

The DHPP vaccination includes:

- Canine Distemper Virus
- 2 Types of Adenovirus (Hepatitis and Kennel Cough)
- Parainfluenza
- Parvovirus

4. OBEDIENCE:

- We always recommend training your puppy!
 - Basic obedience can come in handy in many situations! For example, if your dog picks up something that could be dangerous for him/her, "drop it" is extremely useful!
 - Sit, Stay, Come, and Down: Trust that your buddy won't jump on someone and knock them over, or take off put the door, and if they do, they will come back as soon as you say "come"!
 - Heel: Walking on a relaxed leash, knowing your pup will stay right by your side makes walks way more enjoyable!
 - Focus: If there are distractions about, (such as barking dogs, rabbits, etc), your dog will look at you and focus on you no matter what is going on around you!
 - Leave it: If there happened to be a snake on your walk, or a someone threw a ball, teach "leave it" to ensure your pup won't go bolting off in some random direction!

5. NUVET:

- NuVet Plus
 - Helps build the immune system! It helps to enhance cells, organs, and organ functions!
 - At just 8 weeks old, a pups immune system is at its most vulnerable! The transfer to a new home males it even harder, with the added stress, and exposure to other bacteria! NuVet Plus helps your puppy by providing it with all the extra vitamins, minerals, omega-fatty acids, amino acids, and high-potency antioxidants, to keep him/her healthy and living their best life!
 - Does wonders for joint and bone growth!

6. PROBIOTICS

• I will be sending your puppy home on my own special "concoction" of probiotics, immune boost, vitamins and minerals! These are ingredients I have found to be incredibly, and I feed each and every one of my pups for a week before they go home, and a week after they go home!

- Please ensure you feed one little bag of powder with each dinner until it is gone!
- Feeding double bags will not cause harm toa pup, but it will not do any good either! To have the best effect, feed one baggie per day!
 - NuVet Plus Immunity Boost and Probiotics
 - Onmi-Worm Guard Plus Probiotics and Immune Boost
 - PuppyLyte
- These probiotics will help to boost your pup's immune system during the most stressful period of their lives! 8 weeks old is when a puppy's immune system is at one of the weakest points it will ever be due to the stress of leaving their mother, siblings, and joining a whole new environment!
- 7. ANY QUESTIONS:
 - Feel free to reach out! I am always available to chat and help answer questions or concerns! We aren't just your fur-baby's breeder, we are extended family! Updated are always welcome as well! You can call, text, or email me!
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