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Important Things to Know After Adopting a Dog from Arf-Anage

VACCINATIONS – NOT RABIES

If you adopted an adult dog, it is most likely fully vaccinated. Typically, adult dogs only require one dose of the 5 in 1 vaccine and we will do that before the dog goes home.

Puppies are rarely fully vaccinated before they go home. It is CRITICAL that you understand your responsibility in this process. Puppies need a series of 3 doses of the 5 in 1 vaccine to be fully vaccinated. This series cannot be completed until the puppy is at least 16 weeks of age. This means that your new family member is susceptible to all kinds of illnesses if you don't do everything you can to keep them safe.

Therefore, we ask that puppies that are not fully vaccinated not be allowed to:

- 1) Walk outside
- 2) Go to dog parks
- 3) Go to a pet store – even if you are going to carry them; please don't put them in the shopping cart!
- 4) Start training
- 5) Go anywhere that could expose them to an illness

They can:

- 1) Be around fully vaccinated dogs and cats
- 2) Go outside in your backyard (not your front yard)
- 3) Use potty pads if needed
- 4) Go to your vet's office if you carry them in

All 5 in 1 vaccine are administered through the rescue from a volunteer. You do not need to call your vet or our vet to set up a vaccine appointment – Arf-Anage will not cover the cost of vaccines from a vet. You DO need to contact a volunteer in your area (see page 4 of the adoption contract) to make an appointment for the vaccine. All our volunteers have families and full-time jobs. Therefore, they each do vaccines on different days of the week and on different schedules. Please call them to make an appointment at least one week before the shot is due. You can check your shot record to see when their next shot is due (3-4 weeks in between shots). Failure to do so could result in my pet being repossessed by Arf-Anage Dog Rescue and a refund will not be issued.

RABIES VACCINE

Most adult dogs will have completed their rabies vaccine. If you don't have proof of completion, please contact Arf-Anage. We will give you the next steps. Puppies must be at least 12 weeks old to receive their rabies vaccine. If you adopted a puppy before it was 12 weeks old, it will be your responsibility to get them vaccinated. Arf-Anage will cover the cost of the rabies vaccine if you use one of our approved vet clinics. Please contact them directly to make an appointment. If you chose to get the rabies vaccine done somewhere other than an approved location, you will be responsible for the cost of the vaccine. Please just send Arf-Anage a copy of the rabies certificate for our files. Failure to do so could result in my pet being repossessed by Arf-Anage Dog Rescue and a refund will not be issued.

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Food Change – if you change the food your dog has been eating. It is likely they will have soft stools or even diarrhea for a couple of days. We recommend giving them chicken and rice or boiled hamburger and rice for a couple of days. You can also give them a little cottage cheese or plain, unsweetened yogurt. Puppies should not be on a feeding schedule – allow them to free-feed, with access to clean water at all times.

If your puppy gets lethargic or stops eating, we need to know ASAP. That can be a sign of a serious illness. You do not need to rush them to the vet or an emergency vet. Our volunteers are trained and able to help in these situations. If you take the dog to the vet or emergency vet, you will be responsible for all charges.

Please remember, if anything happens and the adoption doesn't work out, the dog must be surrendered to Arf, you cannot rehome the dog on your own.

We recommend registering your pet's microchip using <https://www.freepetchipregistry.com>.

Arf-Anage Dog Rescue has multiple approved participating veterinary clinics we work with.

North Phoenix Animal Clinic
(Will do rabies-only appointments)
1610 E Bell Road, Suite 108,
Phoenix, AZ 85022
602.787.4240

Homeward Bound
(Will do rabies-only appointments)
1020 E Pecos Rd Suite 1,
Chandler, AZ 85225
480.821.7380

Chandler Spay AZ
(Friday only walk in)
2040 S. Alma School Rd, Suite 25
Chandler, AZ 85286
480.814.1008

Glendale Spay AZ
5122 N. 95th Ave, Suite A130
Glendale, AZ 8530
623.846.3979

Palm Glenn
7771 N. 43rd Ave.
Phoenix, AZ, 85051
602.841.1200