

Recommended Guidelines for your Dog

Depending on the lifestyle of your pet and the risk of exposure, certain vaccines may be warranted that may not be required with other pets.

DHPP-CV is a vaccine protecting your dog against contagious viral and bacterial infections. These pathogens cause respiratory, gastrointestinal, neurologic, liver and kidney diseases. They can be acquired through the air, contaminated water and other animal feces. We vaccinate puppies at 6 and 8 weeks old with this initial puppy vaccine.

DHLPP-CV continues the DHPP-CV series protecting your dog against highly contagious viral and bacterial infections as listed above. In addition, this vaccine includes 4 strains of Leptospirosis which is bacteria that can be transmitted between your dog and humans, in some cases, it can be fatal. After the initial series of vaccinations your dog will get vaccinated yearly for protection.

BORDETELLA is a highly contagious respiratory infection transmitted through the air. A yearly booster protects your dog against “kennel cough” or infection tracheobronchitis which causes a severe and painful cough. A yearly booster protects your dog and those dogs around you.

LYME vaccine protects your dog from a tick-borne bacterial disease causing lameness, lethargy and internal organ disease. After the initial series a yearly vaccine will protect your dog from this sometimes difficult to diagnose disease.

CANINE INFLUENZA is an infectious disease caused by a “flu” virus. In dogs, a highly contagious strain of the influenza A virus known as H3N8 and H3N2 is able to cause respiratory illness.

RABIES vaccine protects against a deadly virus that is contagious to humans. The rabies virus is very serious and always fatal. Rabies can be passed between all species of mammals, including humans and is transmitted through the saliva and mucous membranes of infected animals. A series of vaccines beginning at 16 weeks protects your pet against infection from unexpected bite wounds or scratches from other cats, dogs and wildlife (skunks, raccoons, rats and foxes)

SEMI-ANNUAL FECAL TESTING Preventative deworming is a practice recommended by the American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists and The Center for Disease Control and Prevention. Every 6month fecal exams keep your pets and your family safe from parasite eggs that cannot be seen by the naked eye but are present wherever there are feces from an infected animal. People, particularly children, can be exposed to parasites at work or play in contaminated soil, such as sandboxes and gardens.

HEARTWORM TESTING For successful treatment of disease, it is imperative for early diagnosis. We test all dogs older than 7 months for Heartworm, Lyme, Erlichiosis and Anaplasmosis. Heartworm is transmitted by mosquitos. Lyme and Anaplasmosis are transmitted by the Deer Tick. Erlichiosis is transmitted by the Brown Tick.