

Recommended Guidelines for your Cat

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.

All new cats and kittens are tested for Feline Immunodeficiency Virus and Feline Leukemia Virus

FVRCP is a vaccine protecting your cat against highly contagious viral and bacterial infections. These pathogens cause respiratory, gastrointestinal and neurologic disease. They can be acquired through the air and other animal feces. After the initial series of 2-3 vaccines depending on your cat's age and maternal protection, a yearly vaccine protects your cat.

CALICI VS-FCV a new strain of the traditional calici virus called Virulent Systemic Feline Calicivirus can affect multiple organs and causes runny nose, sneezing, fever, swelling, oral and nasal ulcers and skin lesions. This can be passed very easily by humans and can show signs within a couple of days. This Calicivirus is transmitted by cat hair and skin cells. After the initial series a yearly vaccine protects your cat.

FELINE LEUKEMIA (FELV) is a deadly virus that is transmitted through saliva or blood (mother to kitten). Leukemia attacks the immune system, allowing the cat to be more susceptible to disease and cancer. After the initial series of 2-3 (depending on age and maternal protection) a yearly vaccination protects your cat.

FELINE IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (FIV) is a deadly virus transmitted primarily through saliva, most often through cat fight wound. FIV attacks the immune system allowing other infections to cause organ failure leading to death. Although currently there is no vaccine we do test all kitten for FIV.

FELINE INFECTIOUS PERITONITIS (FIP) is deadly virus transmitted through urine, feces, transplacental, saliva, but most often through cat fight wounds. FIP attacks internal organs and causes major organ failure leading to death. After the initial series a yearly vaccine protects your cat.

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. An initial vaccine and yearly booster protects your pet against infection from unexpected bites, 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.