

Good Friends Animal Hospital Patient Recommendations



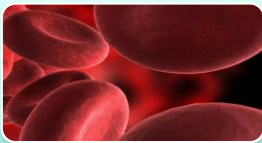
All pets should have a veterinary examination at least once a year. Decisions regarding frequency of visits are made on an individual basis based on age, health and the environment of the pet.



Annual heartworm testing in dogs



Fecal examinations two to four times during the first year of life and one to two times per year in adults, depending on patient health and lifestyle factors



Annual blood work for all dogs and cats 7 years of age and older



Deworming of puppies and kittens starting at two weeks, repeating every two weeks until two months of age, and then monthly until the pet is six months old, then continue with monthly broad-spectrum parasite control



Year-round broad-spectrum parasite control against heartworm, intestinal parasites with zoonotic (transmissible to humans) potential, fleas, and ticks for dogs AND cats



Vaccination of puppies and kittens beginning at 6 to 8 weeks of age and continuing every 3 to 4 weeks until 16 weeks of age with re-vaccination at one year and then annually or triennially thereafter based on individual risk assessment and recommendations of the American Association of Feline Practitioners and American Animal Hospital Association



Microchipping of all pets (even those who don't venture outside) is recommended. It is the most reliable system for the recovery of lost pets because it provides permanent identification, unlike tags alone.

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