

## Prevention Is the Best Medicine

Many diseases and conditions can be prevented easily and cost-effectively through vaccinations, monthly preventative treatments and diagnostic screenings.

### Disease Prevention

**Bordetella:** Any dog that is around other dogs, whether in the kennel, daycare, grooming salon, parks or any other environment, should be vaccinated against Bordetella (kennel cough).

**Distemper (D), Hepatitis (A2), Parvo (P) and Parainfluenza (P):** These viruses can cause serious, often fatal illnesses in dogs.

**Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis (FVR), Calicivirus (C) and Panleukopenia (P):** FVR & C cause significant respiratory infection in cats, while Panleukopenia infection is usually fatal.

**Heartworm Disease:** Heartworms are transmitted by infected mosquitos. Dogs and cats, both indoors and out, are at risk.

**Leptospirosis:** A potentially life-threatening disease in dogs. It can cause sudden kidney failure and is easily transmitted to humans.

**Rabies:** Rabies is a fatal disease. It is necessary to vaccinate all of our companion animals and present proof of vaccination to the city in which they live.

### Diagnostic Screenings

**Complete Blood Cell Count:** Identifies infection and inflammation as well as subtle but life-threatening conditions such as anemia or bone marrow disease.

**Organ Biochemical Profile:** Provides information about organ function and screens for diseases, even when the pet is asymptomatic.

**Thyroid Screen:** Thyroid disease can be subtle, causing chronic illnesses ranging from mild to severe. Further testing may be required, but early treatment can prevent or delay other illnesses.

**Urinalysis:** Checks the urine for cells, crystals and chemistry. Some problems detected through urinalysis can be remedied simply by changing your pet's diet.

**X-ray:** Many diseases will change the shape, size and appearance of organs before other physical signs are present. Periodic X-rays of the chest and abdomen can be used to monitor these organs.

**Feline Leukemia (FeLV), Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV):** Viruses that causes immune system disease and leukemia (blood cancer) in cats.

**Flea and Tick-Borne Diseases:** We recommend testing for the most common flea and tick-borne diseases which include Lyme disease, Ehrlichiosis and Anaplasmosis, all of which can be transmitted to humans.

## What is Your Pet's True Age?

Your pet's risk of illness increases with age and excess weight. Using the following table, you can determine the true age of your dog or cat.

AGE (years)	Feline		Canine		
	WEIGHT (lbs)				
	0 - 20	0 - 20	20 - 50	50 - 90	> 90
1	7	7	7	8	9
2	13	13	14	16	18
3	20	20	21	24	26
4	26	26	27	31	34
5	33	33	34	38	41
6	40	40	42	45	49
7	44	44	47	50	56
8	48	48	51	55	64
9	52	52	56	61	71
10	56	56	60	66	78
11	60	60	65	72	86
12	64	64	69	77	93
13	68	68	74	82	101
14	72	72	78	88	108
15	76	76	83	93	115
16	80	80	87	99	123
17	84	84	92	104	131
18	88	88	96	109	139
19	92	92	101	115	
20	96	96	105	120	

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<span style="background-color: #90EE90; border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 10px; margin-right: 5px;"></span> <b>Senior</b>	how you can help protect the
<span style="background-color: #FFB6C1; border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 10px; margin-right: 5px;"></span> <b>Geriatric</b>	health of your pet through each
	stage of its life.

## American Animal Hospital

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### Appointment Hours

Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Noon to 4:00 p.m.

**Vaccination and Preventative  
Health Schedule for  
Pets Over Seven Years Old**

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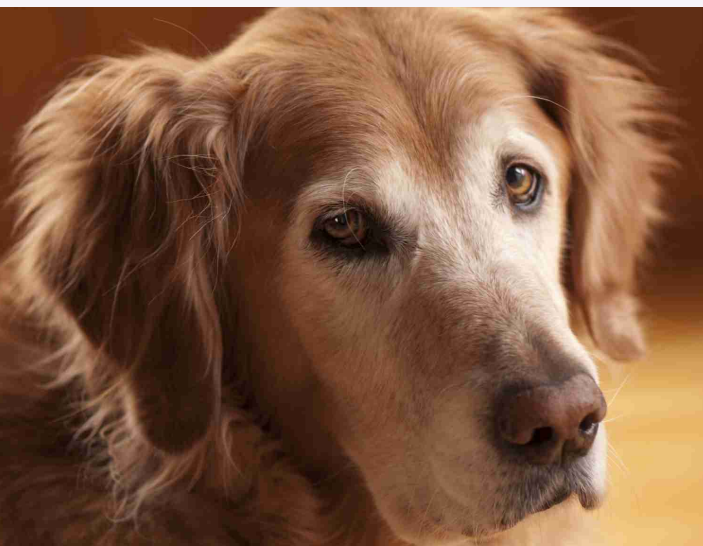


## Mature Feline Vaccination and Preventative Health Schedule

## Mature Canine Vaccination and Preventative Health Schedule

Because our practice cares about the health and wellness of your pet, we are committed to the quality of his or her life, from puppyhood and kittenhood to mature adulthood. To make it easier for you to manage your pet's health, we've developed a series of health care schedules that focus on the wellness of your dog or cat through preventative veterinary care. Our exceptional pet care teams are pleased to offer these services for your pet.

We invite you to become more familiar with the health care schedules that best fits your pet's needs – and we are here to answer all of your questions. Our goal is to help you ensure that your canine or feline companion enjoys a long and healthy life!



### Mature Cats Aged Eight Years and Older

- Annual comprehensive physical exam
- Intestinal parasite exam
- Rabies vaccine\*
- FVRCP vaccine\*
- Leukemia vaccine\*
- Heartworm and parasite control

### Early Disease Detection Screening

- Blood biochemistry panel
- Complete blood count
- Thyroid test
- Urinalysis

### Preventative Dental Care

80% of all dogs and cats over the age of 3 suffer from periodontal disease; you can add 2-4 years to your pet's life with proper dental care.

The health of your pet's teeth depends on routine home care and regular professional scaling and polishing. Without regular care, periodontal diseases, such as gingivitis, can affect the gums and the bone supporting your pet's teeth. With advanced disease there is risk of tooth loss from infection which could lead to heart, liver and kidney disease.

Below are just a few ways you can protect your pet's teeth and gums:

- Brush your pet's teeth daily or at least three times per week (every other day).
- Schedule routine oral examinations and dental cleanings.

Ask your veterinarian about other ways that you can care for your pet's dental needs.

### Mature Dogs Aged Seven Years and Older

- Annual comprehensive physical exam
- Intestinal parasite exam
- Heartworm screening
- Tick test\*
- DA2PP vaccine\*
- Rabies vaccine\*
- Leptospirosis vaccines
- Bordetella vaccine\*

### Early Disease Detection Screening

- Blood biochemistry panel
- Complete blood count
- Thyroid test
- Urinalysis

### Make an Effort to Keep Your Pet Mobile



Any dog can develop arthritis. Knowing the signs of arthritis pain will help you determine when your dog may need veterinary attention. Ask these simple questions:

- Does your dog tire easily or lag behind during long walks?
- Does your dog limp or appear stiff after activity?
- Is your dog reluctant to climb stairs or jump up?
- Is your dog slow to rise from a resting position?

If you answered "yes" to one or more of these questions, talk to your veterinarian.

*\* Our Doctors will discuss the right schedule and risk factors for your pet.*