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Kitten Health Care Recommendations

Age	Description – INDOOR CATS
8 weeks	Examination with: 1 st FVRCP vaccine Deworming Medication
12 weeks	Examination with: 2 nd FVRCP vaccine 1 st FELINE LEUKEMIA Vaccine Deworming Medication
16 weeks	Examination with: 2 nd FELINE LEUKEMIA Vaccine
Age	Description – OUTDOOR CATS
8 weeks	Examination with: 1 st FVRCP vaccine Deworming Medication
12 weeks	Examination with: 2 nd FVRCP vaccine 1 st FELINE LEUKEMIA Vaccine Deworming Medication
16 weeks	Examination with: 2 nd FELINE LEUKEMIA Vaccine Rabies Vaccine
6 Months	Spay (Ovariohysterectomy) ** females in heat/pregnant/mature or obese = additional charge Neuter Options at the time of Surgery: Tattoo (registry is province wide) Microchip (registry international)
<p>During these visits the Veterinarian does a complete physical exam of your kitten and discusses: deworming, flea control, proper diet, dental care, training and any other concerns you may have. You will be given our special "Kitten Kit" full of educational materials. This is a good time to initiate pet insurance for your pet.</p>	

Annual Health Care Recommendations

Yearly or as recommended	Examination with: FVRCP vaccine FELINE LEUKEMIA vaccine* RABIES vaccine*	
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	Deworming Medication recommended	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ During the annual examination the health and wellness of your pet will be assessed. The Dr. will discuss: diet, changes of weight or appetite, water intake, behavior changes, abnormal teeth or gums, lethargy, diarrhea or vomiting, changes in skin or hair coat, flea and parasite control. 		

General Information for Cat Owners:

1. **FVRCP Vaccine** - will protect your cat from feline respiratory diseases (rhinotracheitis and calicivirus) and feline Panleukopenia (sometimes called "distemper", causes fever, vomiting, and diarrhea). This vaccine is recommended for both indoor and outdoor cats.
2. **FELINE LEUKEMIA** - is a vaccine recommended for all kittens and adult cats going outdoors and/or exposed to other outdoor cats. The virus can suppress the immune system and can also cause cancer in some cats. Leukemia testing is recommended if you get a cat from a multi-cat household or a breeder, or if you are introducing a new cat to your cat(s).
3. **RABIES vaccine** - is recommended for any cat that is going outdoors. Rabies can be transmitted by bats, raccoons and skunks. It is especially important to vaccinate cats as most rabies cases in domestic animal occur in cats and it can be a threat to humans.
4. **DEWORMING**- Many kittens are born with worms or acquire them soon after birth. We recommend you deworm your kitten for roundworms as directed by your veterinarian starting as early as 6 weeks of age. Tapeworms are acquired from ingesting fleas or small rodents, and require treatment with the appropriate medication.
5. **FLEAS** - are a major problem in Victoria! We recommend an "integrated flea control program", with the elimination of fleas with safe topical products and prevention of future flea generations with Program™.
6. **DIET** - we recommend a good quality kitten/growth food such as "Royal Canin Development" for the first 6-9 months of age then changing to a maintenance diet. Feed your cat at set times of the day and keep track of the amount you feed daily.
7. **DENTAL CARE** - dental disease is common in pets and early training of your cat to allow you to examine the mouth and brushing the teeth will enhance your pets quality of life. Ask us to show you how.
8. **TRAINING** - cats kept indoors lead happy, healthy, and fulfilled lives. If you wish to take your cat outdoors they may be trained to have a harness and leash. If you do let your cat outdoors alone, you should purchase "Pet Insurance".

9. **PET INSURANCE** - is highly recommended to offset the large expenses of medical problems or injury. To avoid disaster, check out the brochures today.
10. **PET IDENTIFICATION** - Tattooing and microchipping is available at our hospital. As part of a province wide registration program, your pet will have a unique tattoo ID number to identify it if lost or injured. Microchip ID will identify your pet worldwide. Both procedures can be done at the same time as spaying or neutering. A microchip can also be inserted during a regular appointment.

Complete Pet Care - 7 days a week