Feline Vaccines

Kitten vaccines should start at 6-8 weeks of age. Kittens need to be vaccinated every 3-4 weeks until they are at least 16 weeks old. Adult cats with none or unknown vaccine history or lapse in vaccines should receive a 2 shot series of FVRCP and/or FeLV administered 3-4 weeks apart. Rabies vaccines do not require multiple doses and will always be a minimum of 1 year duration.

Core Vaccines

Recommended for all kittens and cats.

Rabies

This well-known, fatal and much feared disease is caused by a virus that affects the brain and can be transmitted by direct contact with the saliva of an infected animal. Rabies vaccination is legally required across the United States.

FVRCP

Protects agains the following:

- Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis

A common cause of upper respiratory infections in cats, potentially leading to inflammation of the eyes and nose, runny eyes and nose, fever and sneezing.

- Calicivirus

Another cause of upper respiratory infections and oral ulcers, which can also lead to pneumonia or systemic disease.

- Panleukopenia

Also known as feline distemper, this highly contagious virus attacks the bone marrow and digestive tract, causing severe illness and a high mortality rate.

Lifestyle Vaccines

Based on your pet's lifestyle and risk.

FeLV

Feline leukemia virus is a virus that infects only cats. It depresses the immune system and cats tend to remain infected for life. FeLV is an important cause of anemia in cats and can cause several types of cancers. It is found worldwide and is transmitted through the exchange of bodily fluids (such as from a bite) but it can also be transmitted from mother to kitten.

Recommended for young kittens/cats to have at least an initial 2 shot series *after receiving a negative test. For further annual vaccination, pet's lifestyle can be considered. For outdoor cats or cats who sometimes go outside even on leashes, it is recommended to continue vaccinating annually or bi-annually.*

Please talk with your veterinarian about formulating a vaccine plan specific to the needs of your cat or kitten!

PUREVAX Vaccines

Our hospital uses PUREVAX non-adjuvanted vaccines for all feline FVRCP, FeLV and 1-year rabies vaccinations.

PUREVAX vaccines are specifically designed for cats and do not contain adjuvants, which are ingredients used in some vaccines to enhance immune response. While all vaccines administered by our hospital are considered safe and effective, non-adjuvanted vaccines are often preferred for cats because they may reduce the risk of injection-site inflammation, granuloma formation, and vaccine-associated sarcomas (a rare but serious cancer that can occur at vaccine injection sites).

For cats that are eligible for a 3-year rabies vaccination, **we offer a choice** between a standard adjuvanted 3-year rabies vaccine and the recommended PUREVAX non-adjuvanted rabies vaccine available as 1-year or 3-year. We offer owners this choice due to the higher cost of the PUREVAX 3-year rabies vaccine and are happy to discuss further which option is best for you and your pet.

Common Feline Parasites

Fecal Parasite Screening helps identify microscopic eggs from intestinal parasites such as roundworms, coccidia, giardia, hookworms and tapeworms. You will only see worms in the feces when there is an extremely high parasite load.

Each kitten or new cat should have a minimum of 2 deworming treatments and 2 negative fecal parasite screens, regardless of the age when we first see them.

It is usually safe to assume that most kittens or cats with unknown medical history have some form of **intestinal parasites**. Some parasites in cats, such as roundworms, can also be transmitted to humans.

Routine deworming and monthly parasite preventatives are usually adequate. In kittens, high parasite loads may require deworming up to every 2 weeks.

Fleas and ticks are more than just a nuisance—they can carry serious disease that affect your cat's health and well-being. Fleas can cause allergic reactions, skin infections, and even transmit tapeworms. Ticks can spread dangerous illnesses such as Lyme disease, Ehrlichiosis, and anaplasmosis.

These parasites are active year-round in many areas and can easily hitch a ride into your home, affecting both pets and people. Preventive treatments help protect your cat from infestations and reduce the risk of disease transmission.

Consistent flea and tick prevention is a simple, effective way to keep your cat comfortable, healthy, and safe**.**

Prevention options range from monthly oral chewable pills, topicals and collars. Our team is happy to discuss the best choice for your pet.

Heartworm Disease and Testing

Heartworm disease in cats is a serious, potentially fatal condition caused by foot-long worms that live in the heart, lungs and associated blood vessels. While cats are less susceptible than dogs, they can still develop severe lung and heart problems, and even sudden death can occur.

Unlike in dogs, there is no treatment for cats if they develop heartworms. Fortunately prevention is relatively easy with veterinary prescribed monthly, topical medications. It is recommended that all cats, receive an annual blood test to to confirm their cat is negative for heart worms as even a small number of worms can cause severe disease.

Feline Leukemia and Feline Immunodeficiency Virus Testing

These viruses can affect the immune system, making other infections and development of certain cancers more likely. The viruses can be spread from mom to kittens as well as through sexual contact and cat fights with infected cats. Kittens born to feral or indoor/outdoor cats as well as kittens with an unknown background are at risk for contracting these viruses. Luckily many of our local rescue groups and shelters include viral testing for kittens! At risk kittens should be tested for these viruses during their initial kitten series, usually after 12 weeks of age. The test should be performed before starting the Feline Leukemia vaccine series. **We recommend all kittens receive at least an initial 2 shot series. Adult cats with outdoor exposure should continue on an annual or biannual basis.**

Adult Cats, 1 Year and Beyond- Price Guide

The basic treatment plan below shows the ideal recommendations for a newly adopted adult or adolescent cats with minimal or unknown history OR cats that have had a lapse in routine veterinary care.

	Service	Price
First Visit **We can't wait to meet your pet! Our team will take the time to get to know you and your pet to create an individualized healthcare plan.**	Establishing Exam	$85
	1 year PUREVAX Rabies Vaccine	$45
	PUREVAX FVRCP Vaccine	$45
	PUREVAX FeLV Vaccine *-Requires negative FIV/FeLV test before starting*	$50
	*+/- **Annual diagnostics**. All packages include fecal testing, +/- discounted heartworm test*	$140-$315
	+/- Feline Triple FIV/FeLV/ Heartworm Test	$55
	+/- Intestinal Parasite Fecal Test(+Giardia)	$50
	Dewormer	$15
	OSHA Fee	$5
	Flea & Heartworm Prevention	$36

	Service	Price
2nd Visit **Patients who started or re-started their 2 shot series of FVRCP +/- FeLV at their first visit will need to return in 3-4 weeks to booster and finish the series.**	Well Progress Exam	$50
	PUREVAX Feline FVRCP Vaccine	$45
	PUREVAX FeLV Vaccine	$50
	Dewormer	$15
	OSHA Fee	$5
	Flea & Heartworm Prevention (6months)	$170-$190

Other Doctor Exams	Progress or Sick Recheck Exam	$55
	Phone consultation with doctor (established patients only)	$60
	Illness or Injury Exam(45 min)	$85
	Same Day/Urgent Sick	$125
	Emergency Care	$150
	2nd Opinion Consult	$110

	Service	Price
Wellness Exam Healthy pets should be seen by the veterinarian every 6 months for their continued wellness, to address behavioral and health concerns early and continue required doctor patient relationship.	Wellness Exam	$75
	1 year PUREVAX Rabies Vaccine	$45
	**3 year PUREVAX Rabies Vaccine*	*$85*
	PUREVAX Feline FVRCP Vaccine	$45
	PUREVAX FeLV Vaccine	$50
	Annual healthy adult or mature pet bloodwork *(includes Feline Triple and fecal)*	$140-$315
	+/- Feline Triple FIV/FeLV/ Heartworm Test	$55
	+/- Intestinal Parasite Fecal Test(+Giardia)	$50
	OSHA Fee	$5
	Flea & Heartworm Prevention (6months)	$170-$190

Spay/Neuter **Please speak with your veterinarian regarding recommended age for sterilization.**	Pre-anesthetic lab work	$110-$340
	In-House lab work (For cats that require injectable sedation prior to blood draw.)	$250-$355
	Spay	$500-$650
	Neuter (based on weight)	$350-$500

Fear Free Exams *For pets who need extra time with our team due to anxiety, fear or aggression.*	New Pet	$135
	Recheck or Progress	$85
	Limited Service	$55

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