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VACCINATIONS

Many serious infectious diseases of cats can be controlled by vaccination. With over 20 million pet cats in the U.S., your cat is quite likely to come in contact with an infectious disease at one time or another. Even indoor cats can be exposed to viral diseases carried in the air, in dust, or on clothing. Vaccination is inexpensive protection against costly treatment, or even the premature death of your cat!

FELINE PANLEUKOPENIA:

Known as “cat distemper” is a highly contagious and often fatal disease in young cats. It is easily transmitted from cat to cat. Signs include depression, loss of appetite, vomiting, and diarrhea.

FVRCP (FELINE RESPIRATORY DISEASES) :

They are all highly contagious and are widespread. High death rates occur in young cats and “old” cats. Signs of these diseases include sneezing, fever, nasal discharges, runny nose, coughing, Conjunctivitis (eyelid infections), mouth ulcers, and general depression. These diseases include: Rhinotracheitis, Calici Virus and Chlamydia . Even a stray cat that seems outwardly to be healthy may be a “carrier” infecting your pet, even through a screen window. Protection from all the above diseases is included in one injection. A series of the initial injection is necessary to build the antibody protection needed to help your cat develop a high degree of immunity against these diseases.

FELINE LEUKEMIA:

Unknown 20 years ago, but is now considered to be the leading cause of death in cats. It is a cancer-causing virus that often suppresses the ability to fight other infections. Kittens can be born with the virus. Cats can have the leukemia virus for years before showing signs of the disease. Feline Leukemia is not transmissible to humans or dogs. There is no successful treatment once signs develop!

RABIES:

A fatal viral infection of the nervous system that attacks all warm-blooded animals, including humans. Cats have outnumbered dogs in reported cases since 1981. Rabies is a public health hazard and personal risk to you. It is transmitted through the bite of an infected animal. Even indoor cats may be infected through contact with a carrier in a basement, garage, or attic. There is no cure! Vaccination is very important for your safety, as well as the safety of your pet

Vaccine Reactions: Feline vaccine reactions are rare, however...

It is known that less than 5% of all felines will exhibit a reaction to a particular vaccination. This reaction presents in three forms: anaphylactic, generalized, or local.

Anaphylactic reactions will occur almost immediately after the vaccine is administered. You will still be in our hospital at this time, and quick action will be taken with steroid and antihistamine injections. Hospitalizaion may be required. (This occurs in <1% of the feline population)

Generalized reactions can occur 10-15min or up to 6-8 hours after the vaccine is administered. Swelling around the face, hives, lethargy, vomiting, fever may occur. If this happens, please call our office immediately.

Localized reactions are reactions occurring at the site of the injection. A small lump will form under the skin. This is generally not a problem, and will go away in a couple of days. If the pet seems painful or if there is seepage from the lump, please notify our hospital staff.

Please note that Pearland Animal Hospital extensively researches every vaccine administered in our facility to ensure that your pet is receiving the safest vaccine available.

Please call with any questions or problems concerning <animal>'s vaccinations.

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