

Happy Trails Veterinary Services

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Recommended Puppy Plan

Puppies in California should not be adopted out until 8w or older (not legal)

6 - 8 weeks old Start vaccinations, vaccinate for distemper/parvo every 3-4 weeks until 16 weeks old

DO NOT take your puppy outside of your home to socialize or allow your puppy to interact with any dogs of unknown or incomplete vaccination status until all puppy shots are completed. They are not protected unless they get the complete series, on time.

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| 8 weeks old (2 months) | DHPP #1 | Distemper/Parvo viruses - highly contagious & puppies are at highest risk |
| | Deworm & Fecal Test | Deworm for most common parasites with pyrantel (Also give praziquantel if fleas or tapeworms seen) Send in fecal test / Giardia ELISA - additional deworming as indicated by results |
| | Monthly Flea Prevention | Flea Prevention: Start applying every 3-4 weeks, use year-round always Even if no fleas are seen / pet indoors, recommended due to high potential exposure Flea prevention should be used every month for the life of your pet |
| | Monthly Heartworm Prevention | Heartworm/Internal Parasite Prevention: Start giving Heartgard every 4 weeks, use year-round always MUST start HWP before 6m (24w) or HW test required to begin prevention Heartworm prevention should be used every month for the life of your pet |
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| 12 weeks old (3 months) | DHPP + Lepto | This is the 2nd Distemper / Parvo shot with Leptospirosis added. Lepto vaccination is recommended for all dogs in this area. Risk factors include: exposure to moist environments, areas with livestock, wildlife, or rodents |
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| 16 weeks old (4 months) | Rabies | Boost in 1y (1y, 4m old), then every 3 years ALWAYS |
| | DHPP + Lepto final puppy shot | Boost every 1 year |
| | Bordatella | aka Kennel Cough; Boost every 6m if at high risk, every 1y if at risk |

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| 16 - 24 weeks old (4 - 6 months) | Spay or neuter | **pain control medications and E-collar strongly recommended |
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Animals 6 months or older, animals with unknown history

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| Deworm & Fecal Test | Deworm for most common parasites with pyrantel (+ praziquantel if fleas or tapeworms seen) Start applying Frontline monthly for flea prevention, giving Heartgard monthly to prevent HW Send in fecal test / Giardia ELISA - additional deworming as indicated by results |
| Monthly Flea Prevention | Flea Prevention: Start applying every 3-4 weeks, use year-round always Even if no fleas are seen / pet indoors, recommended due to high potential exposure Flea prevention should be used every month for the life of your pet |
| Heartworm Test & Monthly Prevention | HW test required to begin prevention for animals older than 6 months Test Always recommended for: Animals not previously tested or not tested within past year, Animals not currently/consistently being given prevention every month Heartworm/Internal Parasite Prevention: Start giving Heartgard every 4 weeks, use year-round always Heartworm prevention should be used every month for the life of your pet |
| Rabies | Boost in 1y, then every 3 years ALWAYS |
| DHPP + Lepto | 2 doses given 1 month apart, then boost every 1 year |
| Bordatella | Boost every 6m if at high risk, every 1y if at risk |
| Spay or neuter | **pain control medications and E-collar strongly recommended |