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KITTEN INFORMATION

VACCINATIONS

<u>HCPcH + FeLV</u> (Rhinotracheitis, Calici, Panleukopenia, Chlamydia, Feline Leukemia) - highly contagious, potentially fatal diseases in cats.

- ** Start vaccine after 9 weeks of age, booster in 4 weeks. We vaccinate at 12 and 16 weeks of age. Booster annually.
- ** All outdoor cats should receive this multi-valant vaccine to prevent infections from outdoor exposure.

HCP (Rhinotracheitis, Calici, Panleukopenia Viruses) - highly contagious, potentially fatal viral diseases.

** Start vaccines at 6 - 8 weeks of age; booster every 3-4 weeks with last kitten booster @ 14-16 weeks of age.

Vaccine repeated at one year, then every 3 years.

<u>RABIES</u> - Fatal viral disease affecting the central nervous system. Cats are the #1 domestic animal for rabies exposure. Rabies is a **Zoonotic Disease** meaning it is something that can pass between animals to humans. ** Start vaccine at 12 weeks of age or older, repeat one year later, and then given every 3 years.

INTESTINAL PARASITES

- ** Submit a stool sample for microscopic examination for parasite eggs.
- ** Administer the dispensed broad-spectrum dewormer or medication recommended by the veterinary staff.
- **Profender- topical broad-spectrum dewormer. Apply 1-4 times/year depending on exposure.

EXTERNAL PARASITES

- ** TOPICALS:
- *Revolution Plus provides protection against fleas and ticks, ear mites, intestinal worms and heartworm.
- *Frontline Gold kills and repels adult fleas and ticks and some mites.
- *Advantage Multi provides protection against fleas, ear mites, intestinal worms and heartworm. Does not protect against ticks.

Heartworm disease in cats often appears similar to allergies or asthma, and is a growing concern for cat owners; outdoor cats are particularly at risk.

NEUTERING/SPAYING

- ** Neutering your male improves behavior by reducing roaming, urine marking, and aggression between male animals.
- ** Spaying your female will decrease her risk of unwanted pregnancies, uterine infections and mammary tumors.
- ** Surgery is recommended at 4 6 months of age for both males and females.
- ** If declawing surgery is going to be performed, we recommend combining the procedure with the neuter or spay as early as possible.
- ** We recommend Microchip administration at the time of surgery.

NUTRITION

** Proper nutrition is crucial to the healthy development of your kitten. Your kitten should be on a high quality growth/kitten formula for at least the first 9 months of age. Always measure each meal to insure proper amount fed for weight control.