



Planning for good health

1. Keep up with routine disease prevention -

Vaccination boosters, regular worming, flea and tick control.

2. Keep up with Pet Health Insurance - you'll need it later (typically a significant claim is made every 3 years per insured pet).

3. Bad Teeth and Gingivitis - Get the teeth cleaned and polished under anaesthetic regularly-and follow this up with daily teeth brushing if you dog will permit it. Preserve the teeth rather than waiting till they go bad.

4. Obesity - Overweight dogs have less fun and live shorter lives. Slim down overweight dogs now. Use "Slentrol" to reduce your dog's appetite.

5. Behaviour problems - Lead pulling, hyperactivity, nervousness, aggression etc. - Behaviour problems come in many forms and generally result is an anxious or unhappy dog - we can sort out most problems.

6. Regular Health Check with the nurse every 3 months. Our nurses will monitor body condition and guide you through the best preventive health care.

Weight _____ Ideal weight _____ Date _____

Notes

Visit our website: www.vet-healthcentre.co.uk

Pet's Name

Top Priorities for your Adult Dog



PET HEALTH INSURANCE with LIFE COVER
- Start before there's a medical problem. After 8 yrs of age your pet will be too old to start insurance - and that's when you'll really need it.

HIGH QUALITY FOOD - your dog IS what he/she eats.
HILL'S SCIENCE PLAN ADULT = *Less hair shedding, less motion, less smell, and much improved health. Cost? ~ 65p / day for 20kg dog.*

VACCINATION - against Parvovirus, Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis, Infectious Bronchitis (Kennel Cough) and Parainfluenza
Annual booster injection essential.

WORM 3 monthly with MILBEMAX (tasty tablets).

FLEA & TICK PREVENTION is easy.

Do it all year round! Treat all your cats and dogs!

For dogs use PRAC-TIC Spot-On monthly

Each application is 100% effective against fleas and ticks for a month.

Cost for 12 months for a dog is £66 - £86 (depending on size of dog).

NEUTERING prevents many serious medical problems in both male and female dogs. Also reduces aggression and dominance.

▲ *Identichip & Dew claw removal can be done at the same time.*

TEETH CARE - Annual dental polishing under anaesthetic is the best way to keep the teeth and gums healthy + daily teeth brushing if possible.

WATCH THE WEIGHT - For overweight dogs feed Hill's R/D.
+ A regular check-up with our nurses will help you slim your dog successfully.

idENTICHIP - Electronic ID - do it today - lasts for life.

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Dog walks down street....

- One flea jumps onto dog.
- Flea lays 1000 eggs that scatter around the house!
- Eggs form into adult fleas in ~ 2 - 4wks.
- One flea can result in 1000 fleas in 4wks



Wise pet owners prevent flea infestation by routine flea prevention

with vet products that work and are safe.

- For Dogs use **PRAC-TIC Spot-On** monthly all year round. Each application is 100% effective against fleas and ticks for a month. Treat ALL your dogs and cats - all year round.

FLEA PROBLEMS

- Skin irritation, Flea allergic dermatitis.
- Fleas carry tapeworms, and several nasty infections that affect pets and humans (Bartonella & Rickettsia).
- Fleas bite humans causing painful sores on the legs.
- Fleas love clean warm homes.

TICK PROBLEMS

- Ticks transmit nasty diseases that affect pets and humans. (In the UK, Lyme Disease and Anaplasmosis. Across Europe and occ. in UK, Ehrlichiosis, Babesiosis and Hepatozoonosis).
- Ticks can attach to humans.

Is your dog's behaviour less than perfect?

A dog is never too old to learn - we can help sort out problems like.....

Mouthing? Hyperactive? Destructive?

Aggression? Disobedient? Lead Pulling?

Messing in the house? Anxiety?



Your dog's Healthcare Budget

Estimated costs per year:

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| Worming 4 x/year | £20 | (£15 - £25) |
| Flea & Tick Prevention | £80 | (£66 - £86) |
| Annual Booster inc. K.C. | £50 | |
| Health Insurance (PetPlan) | ~£200 | (inc. with age of dog) |
| Medical problems not insured | £200 | (£0 - £300) |
| Boarding for 2 wks | £100 | (£0 - £200) |
| Equipment, Toys, Treats | <u>£150</u> | (£50 - £300) |
| | <u>£800</u> | |

Add the cost of a good quality food e.g. Hill's Science Plan

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| Small breed | £250 = £1050/year |
| Medium breed | £400 = £1200/year |
| Large breed | £550 = £1350/year |

+ Once only costs - neutering, dew claw removal, identichip.

Most Costly Mistakes

- 1) If you don't insure your dog's health you may have costs up to £1000 - £2500 for serious injury or disease.
- 2) If you feed canned food, small tubs or sachets you may be paying twice as much for a poorer quality food.

Biggest Health Mistakes

- 1) Not sorting out behaviour problems - commonest cause of euthanasia for dogs under 10 yrs of age.
- 2) Obesity - overweight dogs have more medical problems.
- 3) Not neutering - neutering prevents a host of problems.
- 4) Neglecting dental care - bad teeth cause ill health.
- 5) Not vaccinating against fatal diseases.

Planning ahead prevents problems