



Veterinary Hospital

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Routine Deworming and Parasite Prevention

According to the Companion Animal Parasite Council, beginning at 2 weeks of age, puppies and kittens should be de-wormed every 2 weeks until 2 months of age when regular broad spectrum parasite control begins.

Pregnant and nursing dams should be maintained using a broad-spectrum product.

Healthy People and Pets with Healthy Lifestyles

- ✿ Administer year-round broad-spectrum parasite control with efficacy against heartworm, intestinal parasites, fleas and ticks are essential.
- ✿ Pets should be fed cooked or prepared food and not raw diets
- ✿ Sandboxes should be covered when not in use
- ✿ Feces should be picked up daily
- ✿ Good personal hygiene must be practiced; this is particularly important for children and individuals at increased risk
- ✿ Pets should have fecal examinations two or four times during the first year of life and one to two times per year as adults
- ✿ Dogs should be tested for heartworms, Lyme disease and other tick born diseases prior to initial dose of heartworm preventative
- ✿ Heartworm testing is recommended yearly