

SPAY SPA & NEUTER NOOK

1251 West Central Ave., Unit H | Davidsonville, MD 21035 | 443-607-6496 **VACCINE INFORMATION**

If your pet received vaccine(s) today:

The vaccine(s) may require one or more boosters in order to provide full protection. Please follow up with your veterinarian for boosters.

It is common for many pets to experience mild side effects following vaccination, similar to those that humans experience. Rarely does a pet need veterinary medical attention for these normal. Some of the most common mild side effects seen after immunization include:

- Redness, mild swelling, and tenderness at the vaccination site
- Decreased activity levels (fatigue)
- Loss of appetite
- Low-grade fever
- Nasal discharge, sneezing, coughing, or other respiratory symptoms, which may occur up to 2 to 4 days after an intranasal vaccine (vaccination with drops or sprays into the nostrils) is administered.

If any of these signs lasts more than 24 hours or if your pet appears extremely uncomfortable, notify your veterinarian. If you fear your pet is having a reaction to a vaccine, please call us at **443-607-6496**.

It is also common for a pet to develop a small, firm nodule at the vaccination site. It should begin to shrink and vanish within 14 days. If the swelling lasts longer than 3 weeks or appears to get larger or more painful, contact your veterinarian.

Other less common but more serious side effects can occur within minutes to hours after vaccination. These reactions are considered to be medical emergencies, and you should seek veterinary care immediately if any of the following occur:

- Collapse or fainting
- Difficulty breathing
- Persistent and severe coughing
- Small, red, raised, itchy bumps over the body (hives)
- Swollen or puffy eyes, muzzle, or face
- Persistent vomiting or diarrhea

The vast majority pets are vaccinated without any problems each year. Closely monitor your pet, and report any problems to your veterinarian as soon as possible. Vaccines save countless lives and prevent devastating infectious diseases in the pet population. If you have any questions or concerns, please discuss them with your veterinarian.