

## Hillcrest Veterinary Clinic

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### Standards of Care

*Hillcrest Veterinary Clinic endeavors to administer the highest quality of medical care available to our patients.*

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- Puppies and kittens will receive a full series of core vaccines (DPV/FVRCP) as defined in our protocol.
- Puppies should be started on heartworm prevention around the time of their first vet visit.
- Any puppy over the age of 7 months should be tested for heartworm prior to starting prevention.
- All puppies and kittens should be dewormed at least 2-3 times, with at least 1-2 fecal examinations.
- All cats should be FeLV/FIV tested.
- Kittens should receive an initial FeLV vaccination series with a one year booster regardless of indoor/outdoor status.
- Puppies and kittens should receive their rabies vaccine no sooner than 16 weeks, with a one year booster followed by three year boosters for the life of the pet to comply with WV State regulations.
- Cats should be spayed/neutered between 4-6 months of age, but animals of any age benefit from spay and neuter.
- Canine spay/neuter age is based on adult weight- smaller dogs can be spayed/neutered between 4-6 months, larger dogs should wait until 12-24 months if possible. This is to allow for proper growth to prevent chronic issues later in life.
- All pets should be on year round flea, tick, heartworm and intestinal parasite prevention.
- All pets should have a microchip.
- All pets over the age of 7 years (or 5 years in some large breeds) should have an annual senior wellness screening with lab work.
- All pets with dental disease greater than stage 2 or 3 out of 5 should receive a dental cleaning.
- All pets should have an annual fecal examination.
- All pets should have a pre-anesthetic blood panel before undergoing any anesthesia.