

# HANOVER GREEN

## VETERINARY CLINIC

What you need to know...

### WELCOME!

Thank you for trusting us with the care of your new pet. This brochure has information on the care your new dog needs to stay healthy.

We are here to answer any questions that you may have. Call us anytime during our business hours. If our receptionists or technicians cannot answer your question, one of our doctors can and are available by appointment.

To start your new puppy on the right path to wellness we offer a discounted package outlined below.

#### PUPPY PACKAGE

Includes everything a puppy needs for a healthy start

#### INCLUDES:

- 4 DHLPP Vaccinations** Starts 6-10 weeks with Physical Exam and Nail Trim each visit
- 2 Lyme Vaccinations** Given at 8 & 12 weeks
- 2 Stool Checks** Given at 8 & 12 weeks
- 4 Dewormings & Heartworm Preventative** Given at 8, 12, 16, 20 weeks
- 1 Bordetella Intranasal Vaccination** Given at 12 weeks
- 1 Rabies Vaccination** Given at 12 weeks

Regular Price	\$623.00
Package Price	\$495.00
Saving You	\$128.00

#### AVAILABLE OPTION as needed:

- 3 DHLPP Pkg with 3 Deworming/HW Preventative**  
**\$410 (Savings \$106)**

Within 30 days of the last vaccination in this package your puppy needs to be weighed and heartworm preventative dosed accordingly.

Heartworm Preventative should continue all year round.

If your pet is unable to complete all outpatient services within this package, refunds are available at non-discounted prices on services rendered.

FOR YOUR NEW ADULT CANINE PET... ..take advantage of our discounted Wellness or Geriatric Package options for optimal care.  
Ask Staff for Details

#### VACCINATIONS

**DHLPP** - This combination vaccine includes Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis, Parainfluenza and Parvovirus. We vaccinate puppies starting at 6-8 weeks of age. Vaccinations are given every 3-4 weeks until they are 18-20 weeks old. Adult dogs initially receive a series of two vaccines given 1 month apart then all dogs are vaccinated annually.

- Distemper** – A viral disease that can cause pneumonia, vomiting, diarrhea, convulsions and even death.
- Hepatitis** – A viral disease of the liver that can be fatal.
- Leptospirosis** – A bacterial infection that affects the liver and kidneys and can permanently damage them. This disease is also spread to humans.
- Parvovirus** – A viral disease of the intestines which can cause dehydrating diarrhea and vomiting which can lead to death.

**Bordetella** – A bacteria that is strongly indicated in “kennel cough.” This vaccine should be given every 3-6 months if you board your animal.

**Rabies** – A viral disease of all warm blooded animals including humans. This virus causes damage to the brain and death. The 1<sup>st</sup> rabies vaccine should be given at 3 months or older and lasts for one year. Subsequent vaccinations last for three years.

**Lyme Disease** – Is transmitted by ticks and can also spread to humans. We recommend annual vaccination.

**Canine Influenza (Not included in package)** – A viral disease causing sneezing, coughing, fever, difficulty breathing, lethargy, nasal discharge and life threatening pneumonia. Recommended annually.

#### HARMFUL PARASITES

**Intestinal Parasites** – Dogs can get roundworms, coccidia, giardia, hookworms, whipworms, and tapeworms. We routinely deworm puppies at about 3-4 weeks of age and then recheck and deworm if necessary. Adult dogs should be checked at the time of their annual vaccinations. Identifying intestinal parasites is important as some of these parasites can be passed along to humans.

**Heartworms** – These are large worms that live in the heart and lungs of dogs. They are transmitted when an infected mosquito bites your dog. Our mild winters and swamp land contribute to high mosquito numbers explaining our heavy infestation with heartworms. We recommend starting a preventative at 6-8 weeks of age. If not started on preventative as a puppy, they should be checked 6-7 months from the time they started the preventative, as this is the first time a test would be positive if your dog has heartworms. Interceptor Plus® is the monthly heartworm preventative product we recommend.

**Fleas and Ticks** – Fleas and ticks are a nuisance and a health concern. Ticks can transmit tick borne diseases, such as Lyme disease, to our dogs and us. There are some excellent products on the market now to control both. Please check with our staff before using any over-the-counter product, even if the label states that it is safe. Some of these products contain ingredients that can be extremely harmful and/or toxic to your dog.

#### We Recommend (Ask for more information on):

- Bravecto®** - A 3 month treatment that kills fleas & ticks commonly affecting pets. For pets 6months and older.
- NexGard®** – A one month oral beef flavored chew that kills adult fleas & 3 species of ticks that commonly affect dogs.
- Advantage®** - A topical treatment applied to the back of the neck of your dog to kill fleas on contact for one month.
- Credelio®** - A monthly oral medication that kills fleas and ticks fast. For dogs/puppies 8 weeks or older.
- Advantix®** - A monthly topical treatment that kills fleas, ticks and repels mosquitoes. **Do Not Use On Cats.**
- Capstar®** - Oral tablet kills fleas in 20 minutes continues killing up to 24 hours.

## WELLNESS & PROTECTION

**Spaying and Neutering** – The recommendation for having your dog spayed or neutered is breed dependent and we recommend consulting your veterinarian as to when the procedure should be performed. The female dog benefits from spaying by preventing heat cycles and unwanted breeding, as well as vaginal and uterine infections. Spaying also decreases the chance of mammary tumors, especially if spayed before the first heat cycle. Male dogs that are neutered tend to be less aggressive and are less likely to wander. Neutering your male dog also helps prevent prostate and testicular cancer as well as rectal trouble later in life.

***This package includes a 25% discount on any future spay/neuter as well as discounted pricing on:***  
***\$120 Genetic Health Analysis (\$159 value)***  
***(K9 Mixed Breed DNA Analysis)***  
***\$25 Microchip (\$55 value)***

**The above offers expire 2 years from date of purchase. Other services expire 1 year from date of purchase.**

These Discounted Services are NOT included in Package Price

**Identification** – Always keep identification tags on your dog. Include your name and one or two phone numbers where you may be reached (feel free to add ours as well). For added protection, we offer and recommend the HomeAgain® Microchip. This permanent ID can be performed at any time, but is often found convenient to do during the spay or neuter surgery.

**Diet** – We recommend Hill's® Science Diet, Purina® and Royal Canin® foods. Dogs need to be fed on an individual basis and appropriately for their life-stage. Ask the doctor for your dog's requirements and tips on healthy nutrition for your pet. It is also best to reward your dog with dog treats, not table scraps and to avoid the following foods: chocolate, onions, pork, bones, grapes/raisins, xylitol (a sugar-free sweetener found in many chewing gums, muffins and candy), moldy foods, macadamia nuts and bread

**Bathing** – Dogs do not need regular baths because their skin and coat is different from ours. Puppies should not be bathed until 8-12 weeks unless otherwise directed (such as treating for fleas or mange). Baths should not be given any more frequently than every 2-4 weeks. It is very important to avoid getting water or soap into eyes and ears. Rinse and dry your dog well and keep them indoors until they are fully dry. We carry a variety of excellent shampoos but on occasion diluted baby shampoo can be used. If you are interested in purchasing shampoo, please ask the doctor for more information.

**Hazards** – Items we may not think about can be dangerous not only for puppies, but for our full-grown friends as well. Some dangers include:

**Electrical Cords** – These can be particularly dangerous when teething.

**Bones** – Even if you had your old 'Fido' for 15 years and gave him bones all the time and never had a problem. It only takes one bone to splinter and stick in the throat or cause an intestinal perforation.

**Greenery** – The following plants are toxic: azalea, caladium, cherry laurel, Christmas rose, clematis, delphinium, dieffenbachia, ivy, lupine, mistletoe, oleander, philodendron, poinsettia, rhododendron, solanum and sweet pea.

**Poisons** – Please call us immediately if your dog gets into any of these items: medications (including Ibuprofen and acetaminophen/Tylenol), chocolate, ant/roach baits, rat/mouse poison, bleach, antifreeze and gasoline, paint thinner or grapes/raisins.

**Emergencies** – Of course it would be nice if emergencies only happened during business hours, but rarely are they so convenient.

### **In Case of After Hours Emergencies Call:**

- Veterinary Referral & Critical Care Center  
(804) 784-8722 [www.vrccvet.com](http://www.vrccvet.com)

- Dogwood Veterinary Emergency & Specialty Center  
(804) 716-4700 [www.dvesc.com](http://www.dvesc.com)

- Veterinary Emergency & Specialty Center  
(804) 353-9000 [www.animal-emergency.com](http://www.animal-emergency.com)

***\*FULL PAYMENT is DUE at the Time of Package Purchase\****

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## Caring for your New Canine Friend



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Saturday 8:30am – 1pm

Sunday 4 – 6pm (boarding pickup only)