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## Feline Vaccinations

**Distemper** Distemper is very contagious and widespread in cats. It causes severe vomiting and diarrhea that is often fatal, especially in kittens.

**Rhinotracheitis** Rhinotracheitis is a virus that causes fever, runny eyes and nose, and sneezing. It can be fatal, and often occurs at the same time as a calicivirus infection.

**Calicivirus** Calicivirus causes similar symptoms as rhinotracheitis virus, but also causes mouth ulcers and pneumonia.

**Leukemia** Feline Leukemia (FeLV) (as well as Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV)) is a virus that is similar to the AIDS virus in people. AIDS, FeLV, and FIV attack the immune system leaving the person or cat unable to fight off other infections. All can also cause cancer. People do not get FeLV or FIV. Cats commonly get FeLV & FIV from contact with other cats, but they can also be born with it. Cats must be blood tested with negative results for FeLV and FIV before vaccinating.

**Rabies** Rabies is a virus that attacks the nervous system and is always fatal. Vaccination is required by law. It is given at four months of age.

**Intestinal parasites** Almost all kittens are born with roundworms. These long, spaghetti-like worms can obstruct the intestine, and slow down the kitten's growth. Young kittens should be wormed at least twice and have a negative stool test. Coccidia are also common and routine wormers are not effective against them. Coccidia can cause diarrhea, sometimes with blood. ***Some intestinal parasites pose a danger to humans making it imperative that your kitten be properly tested and wormed! Please see our handout within this packet for more information.***

### ***We use PureVax Vaccine***

This advanced vaccine is preferred for cats.  
It reduces the chances of reactions and complications! Ask a member of our Health Care Team for more information!

