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APPLE GROVE
VETERINARY CARE
Small & Large Animal Medicine and Surgery

April FEATURE

Heartworm Disease Awareness

Hello Apple Grove Veterinary Care Clients!! During the month of April the Apple Grove Team is highlighting the importance of preventing Heartworm Disease.

Heartworm disease is transmitted by mosquitoes. ***All it takes is one mosquito bite to transmit Heartworm Disease.*** Since there are many mosquitoes in Michigan, heartworm disease is very prevalent among pets that aren't given preventative.

We strongly recommend Heartworm Testing & Preventative Care for all dogs. It doesn't matter whether your dog is a pampered pooch or is active and strong, every dog is at risk for getting heartworm disease, a potentially deadly condition. If your dog is due or overdue for Heartworm Testing, or has never been started on a preventative program, please call us today!

JOIN US ANNUAL HEARTWORM DAYS!

PROTECT YOUR POOCHES... Don't miss this special event! Heartworm Disease can rob your dog of its health and even its life.

BIG, SMALL, INDOOR, OUTDOOR - it can affect them all.

Testing only \$28! No office visit or physical exam charges.

Special SAVINGS available on ALL Heartworm & Flea medications too!

Reservations Available, Walk-ins Welcome!

What is Heartworm Disease?

Heartworm is a parasitic disease that can affect any dog regardless of age, sex or habitat. It is found in all parts of the United States and many parts of Canada. Heartworm is transmitted by mosquitoes. Heartworms live in the hearts and lungs of infected dogs.

Why is Heartworm Disease a danger?

Heartworm is the most serious common parasite for dogs because it stresses the dog's heart by restricting the blood flow and also damages other internal organs. The heart may enlarge and become weakened due to an increased workload, and congestive heart failure may occur.

Symptoms of Heartworm infection in dogs include:

Difficulty breathing

Coughing

Lack of energy

Fatigue, a dog that tires easily

Weight loss

Reduced ability to exercise

What can you do to protect your dog?

Heartworm disease is 100% preventable.

Year round prevention is recommended = Heartworm Test every other year.

Seasonal prevention is also available (April thru November) = Annual Heartworm Test.

We would love to see or hear from you. So stop by Apple Grove, call or email with any questions or concerns about this month's events. As always we are here to provide every patient with optimum health and wellness by practicing and providing progressive, compassionate, and high quality veterinary care through the educational enhancement of our clients and ourselves.

As always, feel free to call or email with any pet concerns!

Thank you so much for your time!



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