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HEARTWORM PREVENTION FOR DOGS

Heartworm disease is a serious parasitic disease occurring primarily in dogs and is diagnosed in this area. Mosquitoes are the vector (transmitter) of the disease. Once the mosquito bites a dog that is carrying heartworms, it can transmit them to other dogs (and sometimes even cats). The adult heartworms live in the heart and lungs with devastating consequences.

We recommend that all dogs be tested annually for heartworm disease. It is accurately detected with a simple blood test. The most important part of heartworm disease is PREVENTION. There are several options available for prevention that we recommend.

Preventative Options:

Superior Animal Hospital continues to offer Heartgard Plus with confidence as a great choice in heartworm prevention. It is highly effective in the prevention of heartworm disease and in the treatment of roundworms and hookworms.

We are also sensitive to the current economic concerns of our clients. In light of this, we are also now offering the heartworm preventative Tri-Heart Plus, which has the same active ingredients of Heartgard Plus. Tri-Heart Plus has both Ivermectin and Pyrantel Pamoate, just like Heartgard Plus and is equally effective at preventing heartworm disease and treating roundworms and hookworms.

The primary difference is that Heartgard Plus is a beef-based chewable treat and Tri-Heart Plus is a pork-flavored chewable tablet.

Regardless of your choice, we do recommend administering the medication once monthly year-round. Please feel free to ask our staff any questions about either product. Remember to also ask for the mail-in rebates on the purchase of 12 doses for either product!