

# DOUGLAS OAKS ANIMAL HOSPITAL CONGRATULATES YOU FOR ADOPTING A NEW KITTEN

## Check list for your first year:

### • Vaccinations

- Feline viral rhinotracheitis / distemper every 3 weeks until 4 months old
- Feline Leukemia twice before 4 months of age
- Rabies once at 4 months of age

### • Blood testing

- Your new kitten should be tested for the highly contagious feline leukemia and feline immunodeficiency viruses

### • Parasite Prevention

- We recommend intestinal parasite screens regularly in your young cat
- Heart worm prevention is advised every 30 days life long
- Flea prevention is advised every 30 days year round

### • Spay or Neuter

- Male cats should be neutered at 6 months of age
- Female cats should be spayed at 6 months of age

Welcome to the  
Douglas Oaks Family  
\*quality care with compassion\*



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## Our staff would be happy to discuss...

- Litter box training
- Importance of nutrition and quality kitten food
- Options for pet insurance
- Behavior concerns
- Social and health benefits of spaying and neutering
- Claw maintenance and nail trims
- Introduction to other furry family members
- Entertaining your indoor kitten

Following vaccines please monitor your pet closely during the next six hours for vomiting, diarrhea, facial swelling, hives, or severe depression. If any of these signs develop, please contact us immediately as your pet may be suffering from an allergic reaction to the vaccine. Also there is concern that in a small number of cats some vaccines may cause a particular type of tumor to form at the injection site. This is extremely rare and the risk of disease from not vaccinating is much greater than the risk of a given cat developing a tumor from a vaccination. Nevertheless, if you notice any firm swellings at the injection sites (left rear leg, right rear leg, right shoulder) that are increasing in size and/or persist more than six weeks post vaccination, please contact us by phone at (770)949-6560 or come in for recheck exam. Also, note we only deworm for tapeworms when they are found on fecal examination or the owner reports a problem. As tapeworms often do not show up on a fecal exam, a tapeworm infection can be easily missed (often they appear in the feces as white segments resembling grains of rice).