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SENIOR WELLNESS PROGRAM

TAKING CARE OF YOUR PET FOR A LIFETIME

WHY DOES MY PET NEED SENIOR TESTING?

Disease is more common, but often hidden, in pets over 7 years of age.

- Many problems do not present symptoms until later stages when your pet becomes seriously ill.
- Senior testing detects disease *before* your pet shows symptoms, so we can treat or cure early.

Early identification allows for better treatment.

- Treatment is more effective and less costly when a disease is detected and treated early.
- Use our senior wellness program to maintain your pet's health and prevent illness during your pet's senior years.

WHO SHOULD BE EVALUATED?

1. All pets 7 years of age or older.

2. Pets with one or more of the following symptoms:

- Unusual behavior
- Weight loss or gain
- Poor hair coat
- Increased urination
- Coughing
- Lethargy
- Increased thirst
- Vomiting or diarrhea
- Overall decline in condition

We recommend annual senior testing for all senior pets.

WHAT EXACTLY IS SENIOR TESTING?

Your pet's senior profile includes:

- **Blood Chemistry Tests (Chem)** to look for common hidden ailments of old age including diabetes, liver disease, and kidney failure
- **Complete Blood Count (CBC)** for a detailed look at blood cells to help diagnose anemia or infection
- **Urinalysis (U/A)** to give us information about kidney function and bladder health
- **Thyroid Screen (T4)** to diagnose thyroid disease, a disease especially common in senior cats and dogs

CONSENT FORM

I would like my pet to participate in the CVAC Senior Wellness Program. I understand that the cost is **\$123**.

YES NO

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

PRINT NAME _____ YOUR PET'S NAME _____

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER _____ YOUR PET'S AGE _____

Results are returned from the laboratory on the next business day. We will call you at the provided contact phone number to discuss the findings.

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