



KITTEN/CAT VACCINATIONS

1. FVRCP

- Known as Kitten Distemper Vaccine, Upper Respiratory Vaccine, 3-in-1, 4-in-1 vaccine.
- Feline Herpesvirus causes respiratory signs such as runny nose, cloudy eyes, sneezing, and coughing. This is a very common disease in cats that can become chronic and severe.
- Calicivirus causes ulcers in the mouth, nasal discharge, and respiratory disease. It can lead to chronic respiratory disease and in some cases can be severe and cause multiple organ failure and death.
- Panleukopenia causes fever, vomiting, diarrhea, and death. It is highly contagious and fatal in kittens and unvaccinated cats.
- The first vaccine is given at 8 weeks of age. If it is started sooner than 8 weeks of age, the kitten will need to have an additional booster.
- Booster every 3-4 weeks of age for a minimum of 3 doses.
- Last booster should be given between 14-16 weeks of age (this may require some kittens to receive 4 or more boosters instead of 3).
- Some kittens/cats in high risk areas should receive an additional vaccine at 20 weeks of age.
- A booster should be given 1 year after final kitten vaccine and then once a year after that.

2. RABIES

- Given as early as 12 weeks of age.
- Rabies causes uncontrolled aggression, seizures, and other neurological signs. It is a fatal disease. People can get this disease from infected pets or wildlife.
- Must be spayed or neutered to receive the vaccine here at H.O.P.E.
- Booster must be given in 1 year.

3. FELV

- Known as Feline Leukemia Virus vaccine.
- Leukemia causes non-specific signs, debilitating disease, cancer, and anemia.
- Spreads by close contact with other cats by licking, grooming, sharing food and water dishes, sharing litterboxes, biting, blood transfusions, mother's milk, and possibly by fleas.
- Given as early as 12 weeks of age.
- Must receive a second dose 3-4 weeks later.
- Booster needed 1 year after second kitten booster, then every 2 years after that.
- If your cat remains strictly indoors (never goes outside and never in contact with other outside cats) then this vaccine may be removed from your adult cat's vaccine protocol, please speak with one of our technicians for details.



OTHER VACCINES

- We do not recommend vaccinating against FIV (Feline Immunodeficiency Virus), FIP (Feline Infectious Peritonitis), BORDETELLA, or CHLAMYDIA at this time. If your pet is at high risk for contracting any of these diseases please talk with one of our technicians or see a full service veterinary hospital.