



Your Pet and the Spring Season – Heartworm Disease

It's that time of the year when the weather is changing and the sun is shining. Pets are more active indoors and out. Wildlife is also more active. It's time to refresh our memories about the importance of flea and heartworm preventative.

Heartworm Disease

1. Heartworm disease is in ALL 50 days
2. Transmitted by mosquito
3. Can infect both cats and dogs
4. Treatable in dogs but NOT in cats
5. Easy to prevent in both cats and dogs
6. Clinical signs of an infected DOG can be...cough, exercise intolerance, fatigue, loss of appetite, and weight loss. All signs which mimic other illnesses as well.
7. Clinical signs of infection for CATS can be coughing, gagging, vomiting, difficult or rapid breathing, lethargy, and weight loss. All signs which mimic other illnesses as well.
8. Can be mistaken for feline asthma or allergic bronchitis
9. Both animals can be sub-clinical with no symptoms
10. Testing for heartworm disease is available

Please ask your veterinarian for the best form of preventative for pet and their lifestyle.