

# Preventative Care Testing?!

## What Is It?!

Here at Sayrebrook, we are dedicated to keeping your four legged friends happy and healthy! Part of how we do this is by doing annual wellness testing or, preventative care testing.



## But Why?!

Often, during the early stages of a disease or illness, our furry friends may not always exhibit any outward signs or symptoms. Since our pets age at a much faster rate than we do, we sometimes tend to attribute subtle changes to the normal aging process. Preventative care testing enables early detection of disease which allows us to provide early treatment. This, in turn, makes for a much better prognosis for your beloved pet and friend. If preventative care testing reveals no abnormalities, those normal results will serve as a baseline for comparison to future test results.

## No More Exams?!

Nothing can replace the extreme importance of a physical wellness exam! Preventative care testing can provide a more complete picture than just that of a physical exam alone. Should the combination of an exam and preventative care testing identify a potentially serious problem, we have the ability to perform onsite ultrasounds. If deemed necessary, we work very closely with a veterinary cardiologist who is able to come in and perform an echocardiogram. The number one step to identifying any type of illness in your pet is a physical exam with one of our doctors. Don't forget to get your pet in for their annual or semi-annual exam today!

## What Does It Entail?!

Preventative care testing can include, but is not limited to, bloodwork, a urinalysis, fecal testing, and/or digital radiographs. In our hospital, we have a state of the art in-house laboratory in which we are able to get results fast and easy for your (and our!) peace of mind. Often times, you will receive a phone call with results - same day! For more advanced testing, we are partnered with Idexx, a national outside laboratory. Our digital technology allows for instant viewing of x-rays on site and the ability to send x-rays out for a same day consultation with a board certified radiologist, if necessary.

Here at Sayrebrook, we know that no two pets are the same. We will be happy to discuss testing options with you at any time and will routinely offer preventative care testing during your pet's annual or semi-annual visits. We will tailor our recommendations to fit the individual needs of your furry friend. Our recommendations will be determined by the age and unique medical history of your four legged friend.

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