

WHY YOU NEED TO VACCINATE YOUR DOG

Diseases that vaccination protects your dog against:

PARVO VIRUS

This is the most serious and common of dog diseases today. It was first recognized in the late 1970s and rapidly became an epidemic causing the deaths of hundreds of dogs before an effective vaccine became available. The onset of this disease is very sudden and death can occur within 24 hours. Sadly this disease is still common and outbreaks regularly occur throughout the country.

CANINE DISTEMPER

Not as common as it once was due to widespread vaccination, but it can still occur in epidemic proportion. Highly contagious and often fatal.

CANINE HEPATITIS

A viral disease that attacks the liver, and can be very acute and death can occur within 2 days of the first symptoms. Highly contagious and pets that do recover from the disease may become carriers of the virus to infect other dogs.

LEPTOSPIROSIS

Caused by bacteria that is spread in the urine of infected animals. There are two major forms of this disease in dogs. One which causes an acute illness and jaundice is often caught from rats either by the animal being bitten or coming into contact with rat urine. The other type can also cause acute disease but more frequently takes a chronic form. Humans can also contract this disease by skin contact with infected urine. One more reason why your dog should be fully vaccinated.

ADENOVIRUS TYPE 1

Infectious Canine Hepatitis in *Dogs*. Infectious canine hepatitis is a viral disease of that is caused by the canine adenovirus CAV-1, a type of DNA virus that causes upper respiratory tract infections. ... During this stage of the infection, the virus is shed into the faeces and saliva, making both infectious to other dogs.

ADENOVIRUS TYPE 2

Canine adenovirus type 2 causes respiratory disease in dogs and is one of the infectious agents commonly associated with canine infectious tracheobronchitis, which is also known as "kennel cough". Canine infectious tracheobronchitis is usually spread through coughing. Dogs that are around other dogs, such as at boarding facilities and parks, are at increased risk for infection.

After CAV-2 has been transmitted to a dog, the incubation (development) period of the disease is approximately 3 to 10 days. The infection is typically self-limiting (resolving without treatment); however, in some cases, it can lead to pneumonia.