



**EVERGREEN
ANIMAL HOSPITAL**

Full-Service Small Animal Hospital

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GiardiaVax® Vaccine for Dogs

Giardia is a health concern for both people and dogs. While Giardia infection (Giardiasis) is a recognized **zoonotic disease** (animal to human transfer), the role that your pet assumes is not well established.

Giardia is a waterborne parasite that can be found throughout the United States in puddles, ponds, swimming pools and even in your backyard. Your dog can also get infected with Giardia by grooming or licking the haircoat of another animal that is infected.

Symptoms of Giardia infections include the following:

- **Diarrhea**
- **Weight Loss**
- **Abdominal Pain**
- **Vomiting**

A new vaccine called **GiardiaVax®** is now available. GiardiaVax® has been proven to prevent clinical disease caused by Giardia infection and to significantly reduce the incidence, severity and duration of cyst shedding. Subsequent to Giardia exposure, your dog may pass Giardia in its feces, therefore, proper hygiene and sanitation practices should be implemented.

Our hospital strongly recommends that you vaccinate your dog against Giardia if exposed to outdoor water sources. Giardia Vax® is administered as two doses given 3 weeks apart followed by a yearly booster.

ACCEPTANCE

I hereby authorize the staff at Evergreen Animal Hospital to perform the recommended Giardia vaccination using GiardiaVax® vaccine.

REFUSAL

I choose not to have my pet vaccinated against Giardia at this time. I understand the risks involved to my pet's health in so refusing.

Owner's Name _____

Signature: _____

LymeVax® Vaccine for Dogs

Lyme Disease is caused by transmission of bacteria that is spread by ticks. Symptoms of Lyme Disease are non-specific and can mimic many other conditions. Some symptoms include the following:

- **Fever**
- **Lethargy**
- **Arthritis**
- **Poor Appetite**
- **Lameness or joint pain**

Any dog exposed to infected ticks can develop Lyme Disease. This is especially true for dogs that walk or play in wooded areas and tall grasses. Even "indoor" dogs can be exposed to Lyme Disease in backyards, outdoor walks, camping trips and outings.

Our hospital strongly recommends that you vaccinate your dog against Lyme Disease if exposure to ticks is likely. A vaccine called LymeVax® is available and it is administered as two doses given 3 weeks apart followed by a yearly booster.

ACCEPTANCE

I hereby authorize the staff at Evergreen Animal Hospital to perform the recommended Lyme Disease vaccination using the LymeVax® vaccine.

REFUSAL

I choose not to have my pet vaccinated against Lyme Disease at this time. I understand the risks involved to my pet's health in so refusing.

Pet's Name _____

Date: _____