

Senior/Geriatric Wellness Packages for Dogs

The purposes of clinical screening of healthy pets are to establish a baseline assessment for future comparison and to detect subclinical abnormalities at a time when preventive and therapeutic intervention may have the most benefit. To illuminate such conditions, there is no substitute for a thorough and complete history and physical examination. A wealth of scientific literature documents the presence of subclinical disease in some healthy-appearing animals. In addition, subtle changes in laboratory test results may give an indication of the presence of underlying disease.

[To help with the cost involved in senior and geriatric testing, packages have been discounted by 15%.](#)

As dogs get older, the aging process accelerates. Because of this, rather than stating a specific age at which all dogs will begin senior wellness, we use the enclosed chart.

Northwest Neighborhood Veterinary Hospital recommends the following for all **senior** patients.

- Bi-annual (twice yearly) examinations
- Complete lab work at least once a year which includes:
 - Full Chemistry Profile
 - CBC
 - Thyroid Profile
 - Urinalysis
 - Fecal Parasite Screening

As dogs enter their geriatric years, the aging process accelerates even more. Because of this, rather than stating a specific age at which all dogs will begin geriatric wellness, we use the enclosed chart.

Northwest Neighborhood Veterinary Hospital recommends the following for all **geriatric** patients

- Bi-annual (twice yearly) examinations
- Complete lab work at least once a year which includes:
 - Full Chemistry Profile
 - CBC
 - Thyroid Profile
 - Urinalysis
 - Fecal Parasite Screening
 - Thoracic and Abdominal Radiographs Reviewed by a Board Certified Veterinary Radiologist
 - Blood Pressure Screening

* In order to complete the geriatric screening, your dog will need to be left at the hospital for a few hours.