

Flanary Vet Clinic Newsletter

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April is the month that we celebrate our senior pets here at Flanary Vet Clinic. Even though as animal lovers, we all get excited about any new baby, we also know the true joy and bond that we share with our older pets! I have had lots of senior citizen pets. As a veterinarian (as well as their mommy), I feel there are so many things we can do in veterinary medicine to keep our pets healthy and happier in their senior years so they can live a long life.

Testing is the way your veterinarian can look inside your pet's body and find problems.



Listed below are the senior tests and why they are important for your pet:

- **General Health Profile (GHP)** – This panel identifies problems with the kidneys, liver, pancreas, and gall bladder. Levels with these organs can begin to elevate before the pet starts to show signs of illness. GHP also checks glucose levels to help detect diabetes and check several protein levels in the blood.
- **Complete Blood Count (CBC)** – The CBC tests for anemia, infection, inflammation, and overall health of the blood cells. It evaluates the number of each type of cells, such as white and red blood cells. It can also detect clotting disorders.
- **Electrocardiogram (EKG)** – This test for the heart can detect abnormalities in the hearts pumping cycle. It can give more information than listening to the heart with a stethoscope.
- **Radiography** – X-rays are an internal picture of your senior pet. This can check the size of the heart, see some bladder stones and check severity of arthritis or degenerating bones.
- **Thyroid Test** – A thyroid test can be useful in diagnosing malfunctions of the thyroid gland. Hypothyroidism (too little thyroid hormone) is common in dogs; Hyperthyroidism (too much thyroid hormone) is common in cats.
- **Urinalysis** – This assesses the health of the urinary system. It can help detect kidney problems, diabetes, and bladder stones or infections.



APRIL SENIOR MONTH SPECIALS

Early Detection Idexx Screening \$99

- Blood Chemistry Panel (Kidney, Liver, & more)
- Glucose Check (Diabetes)
- Complete Blood Cell Count (Infection, Cancer)
- Thyroid Test
- Heartworm Test (Dogs)
- FIV/Leukemia Test (Cats)
- or NEW! option

Blood Chemistry Panel & CBC \$69 (save \$10)

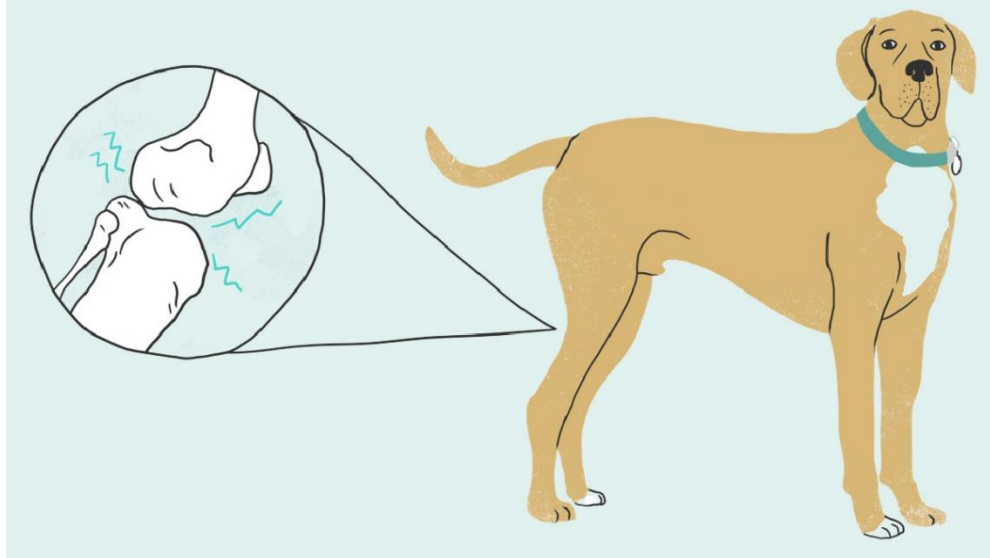


Other Important Diagnostic Testing

- X-ray \$95 (save \$30)
- EKG (Heart) \$35 (save \$10)
- Urinalysis \$25 save (\$17.75)

Straight from the Doctors Mouth

Arthritis & Your Pets



Do you think your pet has arthritis? If you notice them showing the most common symptoms such as difficulty getting up and down, walking stiffly, or reluctance to do normal activity then it is a possibility.

Here is what Dr. Flanary recommends.

Stage 1: Start a Glucosamine Chondroitin Supplement aka GCM to help lubricate the joints.

Stage 2: Start a NASID aka anti-inflammatory and continue the GCM to help manage symptoms. **DO NOT GIVE OVER THE COUNTER NSAIDS.** These human medications are TOXIC to pets. Your veterinarian must prescribe your pet a anti-inflammatory that is safe for them to take.

Now we have Librela for dogs and Solensia for cats which are injectable arthritis shots that last 30 days for our arthritic dogs and cats. These shots have no side effects to the kidneys or liver.

Stage 3: Start prescription pain medication as needed to help manage symptoms, in conjunction with the anti-inflammatory and joint supplement.

Another option to consider is adding Laser Therapy as a management tool. For more information on how Laser Therapy works, what it can treat, and our package options visit our website!

Could your dog have Osteoarthritis?

This checklist will help your veterinary team identify your dog's activities and behaviors that might be signs of osteoarthritis (OA), a degenerative joint disease that can be painful.

Is your dog showing signs of OA-related pain?

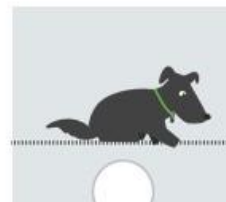
Think about your dog's activity in the past week. Check all of the signs that you've observed in your dog.



Limping after exercise



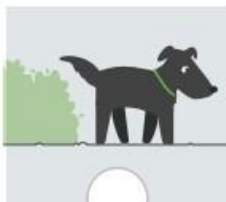
Lagging behind on walks



Slow to rise



Difficulty jumping



Feeling stiff



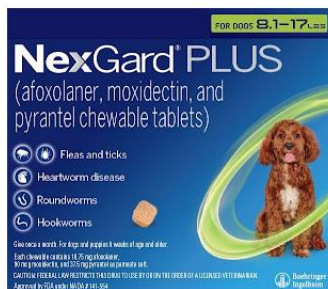
Difficulty with stairs

Flea, Tick, & Heartworm Prevention for Dogs



Bravecto: Fleas and Ticks
Lasts 1 month or 3 months
 (Rebates not applicable on 1 month option)

Buy 2 boxes get \$15 off instantly
Buy 4 boxes get \$40 off instantly



Nexgard Plus: Fleas, Ticks, Heartworms, Roundworms, Hookworms,
Lasts 1 month
Buy 6 months get \$35 off instantly
Buy 12 months get \$105 off instantly

Interceptor Plus:
Heartworms, Roundworms, Hookworms, Whipworms, & Tapeworms
Lasts 1 month
Buy 6 months get \$6 off instantly
Buy 12 months get \$12 off instantly



ProHeart Injection: Heartworm Prevention
Lasts 6 or 12 months
Buy 6 month injection get \$5 Online Rebate
Buy 12 month injection get \$15 Online Rebate

Simparica Trio: Heartworms, fleas, ticks, roundworms, hookworms
Lasts 1 month



Flea, Tick, Heartworm, & Intestinal Worm Prevention for Cats



Bravecto Topical for Cats

**Lasts 3 months
(Fleas & Ticks ONLY)**

**Buy 2 boxes get \$15
instant rebate**

**Buy 4 boxes get \$40
instant rebate**

Nexgard Combo for Cats (Fleas, Ticks, Heartworms, & all Intestinal Worms)

Lasts 1 month

**Buy 6 months get
\$20 instant rebate**

**Buy 12 months get
\$50 instant rebate**



IT'S SPRING- Time to Deworm!

\$20 to deworm for ALL WORMS!

Common Types of Feline Intestinal Worms (Not to Scale)



How many times have you caught your dog eating something outside they shouldn't have?

As spring has rolled in, parasites have come with it.

Did you know that YOU can catch worms? Many worms are Zoonotic and don't care what type of host they have!

Come by the clinic and we can recommend a dewormer to best suit your pet and your budget!



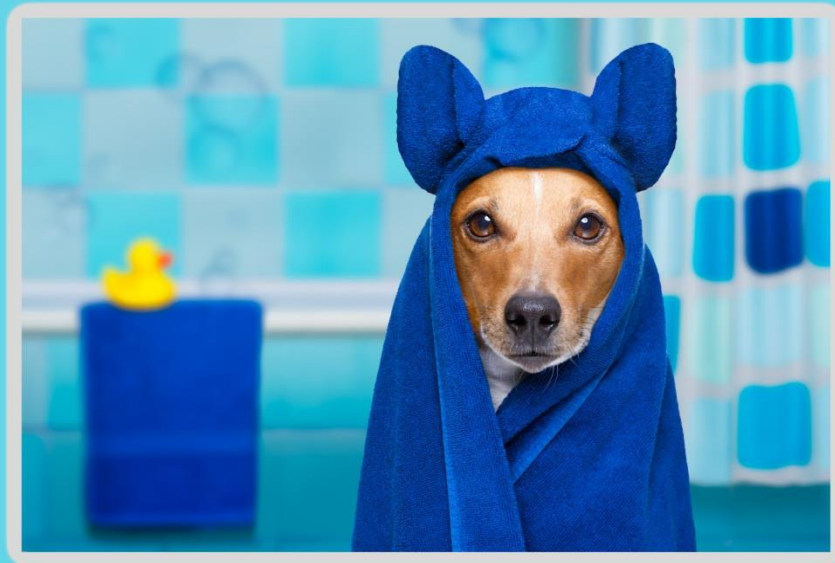
Storm Anxiety?



We have the answer for your pets anxieties during bad weather-storm anxiety medication that works! From all natural options, to prescription medication- we have options that can fit your pets needs. Call the clinic today!

From the FVC Spa!

Flanary Vet Spa Days



***Hosted every Tuesday,
Wednesday, Thursday, and
Friday in April!***

Is washing the dog part of your spring cleaning? Why not let them get pampered with a spa day at FVC?! Spa days include a nail trim, a bubble bath, with a complete hand drying and brushing.

Call 270-898-9738 today to make an appointment.

Spa day price list:

1-25lbs - \$35; 26-0lbs -\$45; 51-75lbs -\$55; 76-100lbs -\$65 101+ lbs- \$75



We love to have your pet stay with us!

All pets get expert care, multiple walks, medications (if needed), and access to a large play yard with playtime or snuggle time once per day included with their stay. Our boarding suite has full heating and air units to keep all pets comfy no matter the temperatures outside. We also will text you a photo of your pet one time during their stay with FVC, to make the hardship of being away from you a little easier. Let us give your furbaby some extra love while you're gone. We love to spoil them with extra treats. We offer TREAT TIME for just \$1 per night! The treats can also be upgraded to our Gourmet Claudia Cuisine Cookies or Pupmuffin Cookies!

NEW!

We now have KONG Peanut Butter Toys or Puzzle Toys to help alleviate any overnight boredom or anxiety!
Just \$5 per night.

To read more about our boarding facility, staff, and see photos visit www.flanaryvet.com





Boarding & Daycare Service Menu

Always included-

- 1 Picture sent during their stay
- 1 Round of Play or Snuggle Time per day

à La Carte Services

- Treat time \$3/day
- Treat Puzzle / Kong \$5/night
- Nail trim \$15
- Gland Expression \$15
- Ear cleaning \$15



Dont forget the Bath!
20% off during any stay!

Gourmet Treats Available: Ask to see our cookie sheet for options!



IT'S PLAY TIME!

Add EXTRA Play Time or Snuggle Time for your pet during their stay for just **\$5** per day!

FLANARY VET COOKIE SHEET

PEANUT BUTTER
CUPS \$1.75



BAGELS \$1.75



TEENIE BONES
\$1.00



SWEET BONES
\$1.25



CHICK
\$2.50



TRUFFLES \$1.00



BONES \$1.50



GOOBERS \$1.50



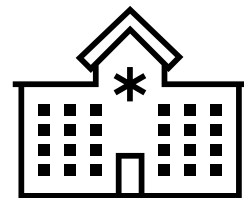
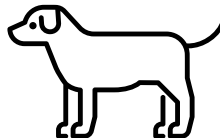
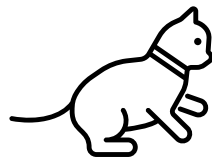
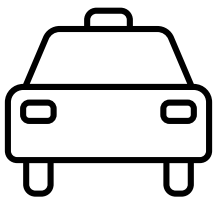
ASK ABOUT OUR \$6 COOKIE BAGS!

FVC APPOINTMENT PROTOCOL:

CURBSIDE & IN-CLINIC

By offering multiple types of appointments, we are able to increase availability for all sick or injured pets that need immediate attention.

- If you have a **Curbside Appt** please CALL the clinic to check in- Someone will come to your vehicle after you are checked in.
- If you have an **In-Clinic Appointment**, please COME INSIDE to check in & then take a seat in the lobby.
- If you have a **Surgery or Dental Appointment**, please call the clinic to check in, and stay in your vehicle.
- If you have a **Boarding Appointment**, please call the clinic to check in and stay in your vehicle.
- If you are dropping your pet off for boarding, you must check in your pet by 4:30 pm on Monday- Friday or 11:30 am on Saturday. A drop off fee will be charged for any check in's done past these times.
- **When scheduling your appointment please make your preference known for In-Clinic, Curbside, or Drop Off.**
- If you are a new client or are bringing a new pet, you can save time by filling out the new client/patient form located on your PetDesk app or our website! Please submit online or bring with you to your appointment.
- Please return all laminated sheets to a staff member before leaving.



From Dr. Flanary

In addition, I want to stress that the most important thing you can have done for your senior pet at the veterinarian is simply, an EXAM! I can find out so many things about your senior pet that you may not realize. Starting arthritis medication can help your pet play again and feel younger. Finding a tumor while it is small can allow me to remove it more easily, in fact by us utilizing the diagnostic tools we have in our facility- mainly X- Ray and Ultrasound- we have been finding more tumors and growths at earlier stages, giving our patients a better outcome than if left undiscovered. Treating dental disease can prevent heart issues. These are just a few things I can pick up on with just an exam. I recommend twice yearly exams for senior pets. Pets age roughly 3 ½ years in just 6 months. So, bring your seniors in to see me and take advantage of the senior blood work special so we can keep them all healthy and with us for many years to come. The blood work allows us to get a full



assessment of your pet's internal health. It's been a busy start to the kidding/calving season on Flanary's Keepsake Farm. I have had 71 and counting new baby goats and 2 calves born yet on the farm as of March 31th, 2025. Although, this makes my days longer as I get up earlier and go to bed later to make my "barn checks", this is my favorite time of the year! Helping the mom's kid and watching the babies grow is so energizing and makes my heart happy! I truly am an animal lover! To see more pics of my herd and the newest little ones visit my

website at: www.flanaryskeepsakefarm.com or find me on Facebook: Flanary's Keepsake Farm. We are getting closer to opening the new Boarding & Daycare kennel, Sunshine Purrs & Wags. We are so excited to bring something new and wonderful to our community. It won't be like any kennel around and your pet's

will love it! Join our new facebook page called “Sunshine Purrs & Wags” to watch the progress!

Rosie, Izzy and I are happy to announce that we have a new bundle of joy in our lives..... DollyPop. She is a very big, gorgeous puppy that is already settling in nicely with her new life at the clinic and at home. Rosie is the perfect big sister, always setting a good example and allowing Dolly to chew on her. Izzy definitely is trying to get her bluff in on Dolly while she is still relatively small. Izzy loves to



boss her, seems to reach her limit pretty easily when they play and then goes right back and instigates her into trouble. These girls make me laugh every day and occasionally scream like when Dolly pulled the lace doily right off the bedroom table and down came my antique tea set crashing to the floor. Most days she is a sweetheart.

-LaNita S. Flanary DVM





