## PUPPY AND KITTEN PARASITE CONTROL

**Client Information Series** 

## Why do we need to deworm our new pet so often?

Many of the internal parasites of puppies and kittens can be transmitted to humans.

The most common internal parasites that we are concerned about are roundworms, hookworms, and tapeworms.

In order to optimize the health of your puppy or kitten and to protect you we recommend frequent dewormings and fecal exams (for internal parasite eggs).

A single fecal may yield a negative (no parasite eggs found) result due to a number of factors including low egg production intermittent egg shedding and or immature parasites.

All puppies and kittens should be dewormed at least twice starting at 6-8 weeks of age and again 2 weeks later regardless of the result of their first fecal exam.

We consider puppies and kittens free of internal parasites after at least 2 dewormings and 2 negative fecal exam results.

This deworming protocol helps to insure the best protection for you and your pet.

"Caring for your pets...as if they were our own"