

Pet Health



Seven Steps To Keeping Your Pet Healthy

(NAPSA)—A total of 68 percent of U.S. households own a pet, according to the American Pet Products Association (APPA), with 56.7 million owning a dog and 45.3 million owning a cat.

If your home is among them, you may care to heed these seven hints to keep your pet healthy from the experts at the American Veterinary Medical Association:

1. Maintain your pet at a healthy weight;
2. Exercise your pet;
3. Feed a balanced, nutritious diet;
4. Visit the veterinarian at least once a year to make sure your pet is healthy and to help detect problems earlier;
5. Vaccinate your pet against potentially deadly diseases such as distemper, parvo, panleukopenia and rabies;
6. Spay/neuter your dog or cat;
7. Keep your pet free of ticks and fleas.

Fleas can be responsible for skin conditions such as flea allergy dermatitis in dogs and miliary dermatitis in cats. Fleas also transmit other parasites including tapeworms. A flea infestation is something no pet owner ever wants to face—especially as nearly half of dogs and 62 percent of cats sleep in their owner's bed, according to the APPA.

To help, you can now get a fast-acting oral medication for treating flea infestations containing veterinarian-recommended active ingredient nitenpyram. PetArmor FastCaps (nitenpyram) is an over-the-counter tablet that begins working in 30 minutes to kill fleas on your pet, making it an excellent alternative to topical flea medication, since this protection can't rub or wash off.



If you've been itching to help your pet fight off fleas, here's good news: It may be easier than you realize.

There's no odor or messy application on your pet or in your house. What's more, you don't have to separate pets in multipet households. It cuts out the mess and does exactly what you need it to do: kill fleas fast.

When used as directed, a single dose kills the adult fleas on your dog or cat. If your pet gets reinfested, you can safely give another dose as often as once a day. It's generally best to treat all infested pets in the household at the same time, as fleas can reproduce on untreated pets and allow infestations to persist.

PetArmor FastCaps tablets are available for dogs, puppies, cats and kittens 4 weeks of age or older and 2 to 25 pounds, or for dogs over 25 pounds. They're safe for pregnant or breeding dogs and cats, too.

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For further facts on flea fighting, visit www.petarmor.com.