



**CATS**

# WELLNESS PLANS

**SENIORS: OVER 10 YEARS**

**Keeping a close watch on your senior pet's health, without breaking the bank.** Your cat may be older and (possibly) wiser, but that doesn't mean that they need to slow down. This plan includes comprehensive disease surveillance to help us detect common health issues. Let's keep your cat doing what they love for longer!

### Our plan includes:

- Annual exam (x1)
- Vaccines based on lifestyle and risk assessment
- Semi-annual senior pet exam (x1)
- One free drop-off visit (x1)
- Blood pressure check (x2)
- Wellness blood work (x1), including CBC, biochemistry, thyroid testing
- Urinalysis (x1)
- Fear Free medication
- Nail trims during exams



**Upfront yearly fee:**

**\$122.50+HST**

**Monthly fee:**

**\$65.30+HST**

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### Annual senior pet wellness exam (45 minutes)

- Cats are excellent at hiding signs of illness and discomfort, and sometimes all we notice is that our cat is "slowing down". Age itself is not a disease. **Just being older doesn't mean your cat has to slow down!** But now that your cat is older, they may be more prone to health conditions that can cause them to "slow down", some of which are manageable or treatable.
- Our **45 minute** senior annual wellness exam includes a focus on mobility, cognitive function, your pet's changing environmental and nutritional needs, and early disease detection.

### Semi-annual senior pet exam (30 minutes)

- 6 months is a long time for a cat! A lot can change in only 6 months. For this reason, we recommend a semi-annual wellness exam, so we have a chance to intervene sooner if your cat is becoming unwell.

### Core vaccines

- All core vaccines are included.
- We will discuss your cat's individual lifestyle and risk factors before deciding which vaccines to give.

### Nail trims during exams

- Complimentary only for cat wellness plan members.

### Fear Free medication

- One refill of Fear Free medication (ex. gabapentin) is included with all exams for pets on wellness plans, for stress-free vet visits and medical care!

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### Blood work

- Senior wellness blood testing is included in this panel (**ONE / 1 test per year**). This helps us screen for diseases that senior cats are more prone to.
- The included blood work panel includes:
  - A comprehensive **biochemistry screen** that looks at kidney values, liver enzymes, protein levels, blood sugar, and electrolytes. It also includes a screen for pancreatic inflammation.
  - **Thyroid hormone (T4)** assessment for hyperthyroidism screening.
  - A **complete blood count (CBC)** to check for anemia or changes in white blood cell or platelet counts.
- **Not all diseases can be found with blood work.**
- If abnormalities are noted and follow-up testing or treatment is required, **additional tests and treatments are not included in the plan.**
- This package includes doing the above testing **once annually**. Some seniors may benefit from having their blood work checked more often. Additional testing is not included.

### Urinalysis

- This panel includes **one (1) urinalysis** to assess your cat's urine concentration (too dilute can suggest early kidney disease; too concentrated can lead to urine crystals), and to check for excess white blood cells, red blood cells, bacteria, crystals, protein, glucose, or ketones, any of which may be present when there is underlying disease.
- Some seniors may benefit from having their urine checked more often. Additional testing is not included.

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## Blood pressure assessment

- Hypertension can be associated with multiple disease processes, including kidney disease, hyperthyroidism, and heart disease. Left untreated, hypertension can cause damage to the kidneys, eyes, and other organs. Older cats are prone to hypertension but the signs are often missed or associated with "slowing down".
- Hypertension is treatable!
- **Two (2)** blood pressure assessments are included in this plan.

## Free drop-off exam

- Worried your cat is unwell? **ONE (1)** free drop-off exam is included.
- Please **call us first** to arrange a time for drop-off, to minimize the time your pet spends waiting to be seen.
- A team member will speak with you to gather more information about your concerns, and then a veterinarian will examine your cat and call you to discuss the next steps. **You must be easily reachable by phone.**
- The exam fee is included but if any medications or diagnostics are needed, they will cost extra.