



FREE HEARTWORM TEST WITH EVERY FeLV/FIV TEST !!!

Feline Heartworm Disease is an infection that takes place when a mosquito carrying infective, microscopic-size heartworm [larvae](#), bites into a cat for a blood meal. The [larvae](#) then actively migrate through the host and develop further as they travel through the subcutaneous tissue in the cat's body. At about 3-4 months, they usually settle into the arteries and blood vessels of the lungs, where they continue to develop to sexually mature male and female worms. Adult heartworms cause tremendous inflammation which can cause both significant disease and death.

Feline Leukemia Virus Infection (FeLV) is a common infection of cats. It is the cause of more cat deaths, directly or indirectly, than any other organism and is widespread in the cat population.

Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV) FIV stands for feline immunodeficiency virus, just as HIV stands for human immunodeficiency virus. In fact, these two viruses are closely related and much of the general information that has become common knowledge for HIV also holds true for FIV. FIV is a virus that causes AIDS in cats; however, there is a long asymptomatic period before AIDS occurs and our job is to prolong this asymptomatic period.

These are all very serious and often fatal diseases your cat can become infected with and pass on to other cats in your household. There are no cures for any of these diseases but awareness is important for improving the quality of your cat's life.

From now until February 1, 2010. We are offering a free Feline Heartworm test with every FeLV/FIV test for your cat.

For more information on these diseases please visit the following websites:

<http://www.heartwormsociety.org/pet-owner-resources/feline-heartworm.html>

<http://www.veterinarypartner.com/Content.plx?P=A&S=0&C=0&A=1482>

<http://www.veterinarypartner.com/Content.plx?P=A&S=0&C=0&A=1313>