

## **Senior Wellness Care**

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Date	Client #	Client Name	Pet Name

Comparative Age in Human Years						
Animal's Age	0-20 lbs.	21-50 lbs.	51-90 lbs.	>90 lbs.		
5 years	36	37	40	42		
6 years	40	42	45	49		
7 years	44	47	50	56		
10 years	56	60	66	78		
12 years	64	69	77	93		
15 years	76	83	93	115		
20 years	96	105	120	-		

## **Senior Animals Have Special Needs**

As animals move into the senior phase of life they experience changes that are very similar to aging humans. Diseases and conditions that are commonly known to affect older people also affect our canine and feline companions like: kidney, heart, and liver disease, tumors, cancer, diabetes, depression, arthritis, thyroid conditions, hormonal problems, neuroses and loss of sensory perception. Understanding these changes and how you can provide for your pet's needs are essential to quality of life.

## Senior Wellness Exams Provide Hidden Answers

Studies have shown that as many as 20% of senior dogs that appear healthy upon physical examination have an underlying disease. Once symptoms appear, the conditions may be too difficult or costly to diagnose or treat. A Semi-Annual Senior Wellness Exam can include laboratory tests so sensitive they can detect the onset of diseases and conditions early, when treatment and prevention are most effective.

## Senior Wellness Testing Early Detection

- Infection and Viruses
- Cancer and Diabetes
- · Liver and Kidney dysfunction
- Thyroid Abnormalities

Senior Wellness Checklist Please check yes or no to the statements below to help ensure that these extended years are the happiest and healthiest possible.					
Signs	Yes	No			
Change in water consumption					
Change in appetite					
Lethargic or depressed (listless behavior)					
Change in urine production (watch carefully for increased amounts of urine					
Constipation					
Change in attitude (irritability)					
Change in sleeping patterns					
Noticeable decrease in vision					
Vomiting					
Diarrhea					
Weight Gain					
Weight Loss					
Bad Breath or drooling					
Lumps and bumps on the skin					
Excessive panting					
Breathing heavily or rapidly at rest					
Increased stiffness, trouble jumping, or walking					

Together, we can help your pet live a healthier, longer life.