



## CANINE INFLUENZA PET HEALTH UPDATE

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**Faithful Friends Animal Hospital is pleased to announce the availability of Canine Influenza (CI) vaccine for dogs.**

Canine influenza is a highly contagious respiratory infection that can have a significant impact on dogs. It was first seen in January 2004 in race track dogs in Florida. Scientists studying the virus believe it resulted from mutation of the horse influenza and jumped from horses to dogs. Most dogs have no immunity to canine influenza because it is a novel pathogen and, therefore, the infection can spread quickly. CI is passed from dog to dog much the same way as human flu is passed from person to person — coughing and sneezing. Also,

dogs can leave the virus behind in their saliva on chew toys, water bowls and other surfaces. According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), there is no evidence of transmission of the virus from dogs to people. About 20% of the dogs that become infected with CI do not get sick at all, while the other 80% show signs of the disease, which can be from mild to severe.

*High risk environments for canine influenza include kennels, grooming salons, dog washes, dog parks and day care facilities. Many boarding facilities now require the vaccine.*

*Faithful Friends Animal Hospital recommends you vaccinate your dog today to help prevent the medical, financial and emotional costs associated with this new virus.*

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