

## **INTESTINAL PARASITES**

Detect and Protect with Routine Fecal Testing

Did you know that parasites could be living in your backyard or the dog park you frequent with your pet?

Most parasites can be found in sandboxes, dirt, grass - a natural playground for kids. Animals, especially puppies and kittens, can get parasites easily and some of these parasites can be transmitted to humans. Parasites can cause many complications for your pet including damage to internal organs and blood loss.

A few simple guidelines can help protect your pets and family. The first step? A quick and easy fecal test.

	Initial	fecal	exam

Re-check fecal exam



# See your veterinarian annually and test regularly for parasites

### **Detect Parasites**

That's easy. All we need is a fecal sample the size of a grape that's less than 24 hours old. Our laboratory partner, ANTECH Diagnostics, will find out right away if your pet has parasites utilizing state-of-theart diagnostics.



#### **Protect from Parasites**

Protection starts with seeing your veterinarian annually at the minimum. In fact, the Companion Animal Parasite Council recommends the following fecal test schedule:

## **PROTECT**

- Remove your pet's feces from your yard as often as possible
- Wash your hands well with soap and water after playing with pets and after outdoor fun
  - Teach your kids to always wash their hands when they come in and to not eat dirt
- Avoid pets from licking your family in the mouth
- Avoid areas that have been soiled with animal stool
- · Check your pet's bed area frequently

