



Greetings,

We are aware of rising cases of an upper respiratory infection circulating in Baltimore County and Baltimore City. Please see Eastern Animal Hospital's announcement attached to this email for reference. We too have been experiencing cases, and we're assuming you have been seeing the same thing at your location.

We wanted to touch base with you to see if you have any information that would be useful for us to share with our team and our clients (such as any PCR specific results) to keep the dogs safe. We've been fully transparent to our clients with the knowledge we currently have, but we're hoping to get some more answers/information with your assistance.

We also want to inform you that we are now requiring all dogs under our care to be up-to-date on their Canine Influenza Vaccine, effective tomorrow 2/3/2023. We understand that this may not be Canine Influenza circulating in Baltimore County, but out of an abundance of caution, we are now requiring it. Please let us know if you are stocked on the vaccine and if we can recommend our clients to come get vaccinated at your location.

What we have been notified of is two different viruses: one is a mild upper respiratory infection only lasting 3-4 days, and the other is a slight uptick in cases of Canine Influenza. We have only heard of some Influenza cases further south in Montgomery County and Baltimore City.

Please respond directly to this email or give us a call at 410-773-7529 and ask to speak with a manager.

Thank you,
BFFE Team

ATTENTION DOG PARENTS!

There are increased reports of respiratory illness in dogs in the Baltimore area. While we do not yet know exactly what the cause of the recent spike in cases is at this time, many bacteria and viruses make up the respiratory disease complex. Thankfully, some of these illnesses can either be prevented, or lessened, through vaccines, such as Bordetella and Influenza.

These illness are very contagious (incubation period of four-to-seven days after exposure and can shed for 21 days after).

If your pet is showing signs of a cough or respiratory illness, but is otherwise acting normally (eating, playful)--BE MINDFUL--and avoid social settings such as daycare, grooming, kennels/boarding, dog parks, and/or dog get-togethers. There is no reason to come to our hospital if signs are mild. Symptoms should resolve within one-to-two weeks.

If your dog has a persistent cough, decreased appetite, fever or lethargy occurs, please contact us immediately for instructions on how to help your pet.

Again, if your pet is showing any signs of respiratory illness, please be sure to practice doggie "social distancing" for 21 days. To prepare now to keep your dog safe--it is critical to get your dog vaccinated or boosted.

To schedule your dog's vaccinations, to talk to us about your sick pet, or if you have questions/concerns, please feel free to call us at 410-633-8808 or email us at vets@easternanimalhospital.com.

For more information, on Canine Influenza/Dog Flu feel free to check out the following link, which contains valuable information from our partners at Merck Animal Health: DogFlu.com



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