

## Dental care

- Dental disease is the most common disease that we see in dogs. It is a serious condition that can affect your dog's quality of life and damage the heart, kidneys and liver.
- Your dog can be trained to allow brushing of his/her teeth. In addition there are proven dental diets and oral sealants that can be implemented.
- If proper at home dental care is given then dental cleanings would start at 2½ to 3½ years old with a dental exam and full mouth dental radiographs.
- All dogs will receive medication to calm them and prevent any anxiety before anesthesia is started for the dental cleaning.
- An IV catheter and fluids are given to prevent dehydration, regulate blood pressure and heart rate.
- During surgery heart rate, respiratory rate, oxygenation level, temperature and blood pressure are monitored.
- Digital dental radiographs (x-ray) will allow the veterinarian to evaluate the entire tooth, periodontal ligament, and bone structures. Sixty percent of the tooth is below the gum line which makes it only visible with radiographs.



We are an AAHA-accredited veterinary hospital. Accreditation by AAHA means that an animal hospital has been evaluated on approximately 900 standards of veterinary excellence.

To maintain their accreditation, hospitals undergo a rigorous review by veterinary experts every three years. Pets are our passion, and keeping them healthy is our #1 priority.

At Lebanon Animal Hospital, we strive to deliver excellent care for pets, because your pets deserve nothing less.



Learn more about AAHA accreditation and why our accreditation is important to you and your pet. Visit [aaha.org/petowner](http://aaha.org/petowner)

1613 West Main Street  
Lebanon, TN 37087  
615-444-4422  
[www.lebanonanimalhospital.com](http://www.lebanonanimalhospital.com)



## ADULT DOG CARE

Allen W. Craig, DVM  
Amanda J. Wesson, DVM  
Kelley E. Brown, DVM  
615-444-4422

[www.lebanonanimalhospital.com](http://www.lebanonanimalhospital.com)





At Lebanon Animal Hospital, we strive to provide our patients with a stress free environment. Using various treats and techniques we encourage a fear free zone.

Preventative care can make a huge difference in the quality of your dog's life. Comprehensive health screening, nutrition counseling and complete dental care are some of the ways we can help your friend live a better and longer life.

## Wellness examinations

Lebanon Animal Hospital recommends twice yearly examinations on all pets. During exams the veterinarian will assess your dog's eyes, ears, teeth, lungs, heart, abdomen and skin/coat condition.

The benefits of the examinations are that we are able to find and treat abnormalities and concerns before your dog develops an illness.

The most common concerns for canines are heart, kidney, liver, diabetes, arthritis, obesity and dental disease.

## Diagnostic testing

- Organ function blood panels: Blood panels allow us to evaluate your pets health comprehensively and monitor changes
- Heartworm test: Recommended for all dogs whether indoor or outdoor. Heartworms are spread from mosquitos, which have access to the indoors
- Fecal (stool) sample: Recommended test for intestinal parasites every 6 months

### Topics of Discussion:

- Preventative blood panel evaluations
- Intestinal Parasite Prevention

## Vaccinations

- Rabies
- Distemper, Parvovirus, Parainfluenza, Hepatitis
- Leptospirosis
- Bordetella, Influenza
- Lyme

### Topics of Discussion:

- Vaccinations allow us to help protect your pet from contagious diseases from other animals as well as protect your family from zoonotic diseases (passed from pets to humans and vice versa)

## Parasite control

- Indoor and outdoor dogs will need to take heartworm prevention every month year round. This will prevent heartworms and treat intestinal parasites. The intestinal parasites are a concern because of possible transmission to people.
- Appropriate flea and tick prevention will protect your dog from many diseases that these parasites carry. We can recommend the best option for your pet.