

## The FVRCP Vaccine



FVRCP is a core vaccine and should be given to all cats. We choose to vaccinate for these diseases because the benefit of this vaccination largely outweighs the risk of a severe vaccine reaction.

### **FVRCP Protects against:**

- FVR - Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis: A respiratory disease caused by herpesvirus-1 (FHV-1) affecting the nose and trachea (wind-pipe). Symptoms include, sneezing, runny eyes and nose, and fever.
- C - Calici Virus: An upper respiratory disease that can survive long periods of time outside the body and is resistant to many disinfectants.
- P - Panleukopenia: A highly contagious disease leading to a decrease in white blood cells. It can survive for up to a year at room temperature in a given environment and is resistant to many disinfectants. Symptoms include: fever, vomiting, diarrhea, immune system deficiencies, neurologic signs, and death.

**Where we give the FVRCP vaccine:** Low on the right front leg.

**What to expect:** It is uncommon, however soreness or mild swelling at the injection site can occur. Lethargy for the first 24 hours after vaccination is common and not worrisome.

**Vaccine reactions to call us about:** Also uncommon, but your pet should be seen by a veterinarian immediately if you see any of the following within the first 24 hours of vaccination:

- Facial swelling
- Vomiting/diarrhea
- Hives
- Large swelling at injection site
- Fever
- Lack of appetite
- Extreme weakness or difficulty breathing