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Transfer Vaccination & Eligibility Agreement.



Vaccination Protocol

This vaccine protocol was developed by Dr. Kris Otteman, Diplomat ABVP, Shelter Medicine and VP of Shelter Medicine & Operations for the Oregon Humane Society in accordance with recommended guidelines published by national leaders in Shelter Medicine.

OHS requires administration of at least a single dose of DA2PP (canine) or FVRCP (feline) modified live virus vaccine at least 5 days prior to transport. Second Chance partners are advised to vaccinate all animals on intake at their facility and to provide this 5 day increment between vaccinating and transferring.

Vaccinating just prior to transfer out, must only be done as a last resort and puts the potentially exposed animal at risk as well as the population to which the animal(s) are transferring. This protocol is in place to protect the health of both shelter populations and community populations. If your agency is unable to comply with these guidelines or has questions regarding the vaccination of its shelter population please contact the Second Chance coordinators (secondchance@oregonhumane.org) who will connect you with the Director of Shelter Medicine, an OHS veterinarian or other staff expert.

Vaccine Storage and Administration

Proper vaccine storage, handling and administration are vital to its ability to protect an animal from infectious disease. All vaccine must be kept refrigerated until use and should be reconstituted within 15 minutes of administration. FVRCP and DA2PP vaccine are administered subcutaneously, and Bordetella vaccine is administered intra-nasally. Any vaccine not used within 15 minutes of mixing must be disposed of.

Vaccination Requirements

Dogs and Puppies (4 weeks and older)

DA2PP vaccine or DA2PLP (modified live) - Administer on intake at shelter of origin, at least 5 days prior to transfer. Puppies should receive a booster vaccine every 14 days until 16 weeks of age.

Bordetella vaccine - Recommended on intake at shelter of origin for dogs and puppies over 4 weeks.

Heartworm tests - Any dog over 6 months of age originating from a heartworm endemic state (denoted by red and orange see Addendum 1) must be heartworm tested negative, using an ELISA SNAP test, prior to transport. This test must be documented in the pet's records. Questions regarding a transferring shelter's regional risk may be sent to the OHS Animal Medical Learning Center hospital manager (MedSups@oregonhumane.org).

Dogs that are injured, ill, or nursing must be vaccinated. Although they may not mount an optimal response, the risk of exposure to pathogens in the shelter is too great to warrant delaying vaccination and the vaccine will generally offer some measure of protection.

Cats and Kittens (4 weeks and older)

FVRCP vaccine (modified live) - Administer on intake at shelter of origin, at least 5 days prior to transfer. Kittens should receive a booster vaccine every 14 days until 16 weeks of age.

Cats that are injured, ill, or nursing must be vaccinated. Although they may not mount an optimal response, the risk of exposure to pathogens in the shelter is too great to warrant delaying vaccination and the vaccine will generally offer some measure of protection.

Reporting Infectious Disease

Second Chance transfer partners are required to immediately report any cases of panleukopenia, parvovirus or canine distemper in their shelter population that are diagnosed within 2 weeks before or after transferring animals to the Oregon Humane Society. Reports must be made by phone or email to the Second Chance coordinators (secondchance@oregonhumane.org). **OHS veterinarians are available for consult regarding infectious disease outbreaks in your shelter and can help with recommendations for diagnostic testing, treatment, isolation and quarantine, and disinfection.**



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Records Required for Transfer

Medical Records

A complete and accurate vaccination history and copies of any other medical or behavioral records that are available must accompany each animal transported to OHS. Digital records can be substituted for paper hardcopies, but must be sent to secondchance@oregonhumane.org 48 hours prior to the arrival of animals.

- Rabies Vaccine Certificates. While not required are extremely helpful. See addendum 2 for the elements that must be included for a rabies certificate to be considered valid in Oregon
- Failure to provide a valid Rabies certificate triggers revaccination for the animal upon intake at OHS.

Behavior Records

A dog or cat with a known history in the form of a previous owner questionnaire, behavior assessment from another shelter, or a brief profile from your volunteers or staff will be adopted more quickly than those with an unknown past. Send all documentation of the animal's behavior and history as this will assist us in finding the most appropriate placement (see addendum 3 for an acceptable Second Chance Agency Animal Profile). **In some situations, a current behavioral assessment and history may be a requirement prior to approval for transport. See candidate eligibility guidelines below.**

Candidate Eligibility Guidelines

Requirements for all animals:

- Adherence to Oregon Humane Society's (Destination Agency) vaccination requirements
- Current vaccine records and medical and behavioral history records
- Rightful & legal ownership of the animal by the source agency must be recorded for all animals being transferred. Animals thus must have served the source agency's state or municipalities required stray hold, or been surrendered to the partner agency by the previous owner in accordance with local, county and state regulations (Reference Addendum 4)

Animals not eligible for our Second Chance Transfer Program:

- Any animal with a bite history towards humans
- Dogs who have caused injury to another animal
- Cats who are unable to be handled and pose a bite risk
- Ferrets, sugar gliders, reptiles or other exotic pets
- Mice

Puppies (5 months and under):

- OHS will consider any breed of puppy for transfer
- All puppies must tolerate an exam and assessment
- Must not attempt to bite handler
- Must not display fearfulness so severe that the animal cannot perform normal daily functions



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Adult Dogs (6 months and up) Behavioral and Breed Considerations

- All dogs must tolerate safe handling for an exam and assessment.
 - Must not attempt to bite handler
 - Must not display fearfulness so severe that the animal cannot perform normal daily functions
- Animals that are sensitive to loud noises or fast movements may not be successful in a busy shelter such as Oregon Humane Society. (Dogs should be comfortable living in an urban or suburban setting.)
- All dogs should be able to walk past another dog while on leash. Those dogs who lunge with intent to bite, towards the other dog or handler, are not candidates for transfer.
 - OHS encourages that partner shelters perform basic behavior evaluations on all dogs, including a dog to dog assessment. See addendum 4 for example Second Chance Agency Animal Profile.
- All adult bully breeds will need pre-approval from the Second Chance Team.
- If you have any questions about an animal's suitability for OHS, please contact Second Chance Coordinators for pre-approval.

Kittens (5 months and under):

- OHS will consider kittens 2lb and over, which is typically about 8 weeks old.
- If you would like to send kittens younger than 8 weeks, have a nursing mother with kittens, or a pregnant cat please contact OHS for pre-approval. All kittens must tolerate handling during the exam and assessment.
- In good health at the time of the transfer

Cats (6 months and up):

- OHS will consider cats less than 5 years
- OHS may consider cats that are FIV positive, but transfer must be pre-approved
- All cats should be able to be safely handled during the exam and assessment
 - Must not attempt to bite handler
 - Must not display fearfulness so severe that the animal cannot perform normal daily functions

Small Animals:

- OHS will consider all rabbits, guinea pigs, chinchillas, rats, and small birds from Second Chance partners when space allows
- They must tolerate handling and must not try to bite handler
- Please contact Second Chance Coordinators to discuss possible transfer

Animals with Medical Conditions:

Please contact the Second Chance Team (secondchance@oregonhumane.org) to begin the approval process as soon as possible. Approval can take 48 hours. Priority is given to Oregon partner agencies.

Certain medical/surgical cases may be considered depending on severity and resources available. These types of cases must first be pre-approved by the Second Chance Team before transfer and include:

- Post Ringworm (must have 1 negative culture before transfer being considered clear)
- Severe Demodex or Sarcoptic mange
- Orthopedic injuries including fractures & amputations
- Eye conditions i.e. entropion, ectropion, cherry eye repair, and enucleation
- Dentistry



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Partner Requirements

Partners are required to be a registered 501(c)3, veterinary hospital or municipal organization.

Humane standards of care must be provided to every animal being transported. (Reference addendum 5).

Submitted a signed copy of the Second Chance Transfer Vaccination and Eligibility Guidelines Agreement prior to transport.

If you have any questions or concerns about your organizations ability to adhere to these guidelines please contact the Second Chance Coordinators at: SecondChance@oregonhumane.org

Acknowledgement

This agreement is made by and between:

1. _____ [printed organization name of Source Shelter], a 501(c)(3) non-profit or municipal organization, incorporated in the State of _____ [state of incorporation] ("the Source Agency") with the following address:

[printed address, city, state, and zip code of organization]

And;

2. Oregon Humane Society, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, incorporated in the State of Oregon ("the Destination Agency") with the following address: 1067 NE Columbia Blvd., Portland, Oregon, 97211

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have, by their authorized agents, signed and delivered this Agreement as of the date of the last signature below.

SOURCE Agency: _____

Tax ID#: _____

Authorized Signer: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Dated: _____

DESTINATION Agency: Oregon Humane Society

Tax ID#: 93-0386880

Authorized Signer: _____

Print Name: Jessica Wiseley Kruger

Title: Admissions Manager

Dated: _____

By signing this you are agreeing to the conditions within this document, non-adherence to these terms may result in the inability to maintain transport partnerships.



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Addendums

Addendum 1: Heartworm endemic states (denoted in orange and red)

<https://www.heartwormsociety.org/pet-owner-resources/incidence-maps>

Addendum 2: Rabies Certificate Requirements

Must include the following:

- Clinic Name
- Patient Details (species, age, breed)
- Date Given
- Date Due
- Lot/Serial #
- Manufacturer
- Vet Signature
- Printed Vet Name
- Vet License #

Addendum 3: Second Chance Agency Animal Profile oregonhumane.org/adopt/second-chance

Addendum 4: Ownership of Animals

For the purpose of transferring ownership, control, and responsibility of the said animals which have surpassed the Source Agency's State required stray hold time and are now available for adoption or transfer. At the time of transport, the Source Agency attests that the said animals are considered healthy (not demonstrating any signs of illness) and of sound temperament, in accordance with the guidelines set out by the Destination Agency, making them good candidates for typical adoption programs, unless prior approval has been given by the Destination Agency.

The Source Agency desires transfer of ownership, care, and custody of said animals to the Destination Agency subject to the terms of this agreement. Destination Agency shall take ownership, care, and custody of those Transferred Animals on the manifest at the time the Destination Agency representative signs for or accepts said animals. Any transported animal shall not be euthanized for reason of lack of space and any decision for euthanasia shall be for illness or behaviors that are severe and/or unable to be rehabilitated. Furthermore, the Destination agency agrees that no animal in their shelter will be euthanized to make space for any transported animals. Note: Animals will not be returned to the Source Agency if they are deemed no longer adoptable unless prior arrangements are made between the above parties; any returns would be at the expense of the Source Agency.

Addendum 5: SAWA Best Practice Animal Transport Programs www.sawanetwork.org/page/bestpractice