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**CANINE GERIATRIC HEALTH PROFILE INFORMATION**

**"Because We Care"**

It is very important that we do all we can to ensure that your pet is always its healthiest. Because of this, we offer a **Geriatric Health Profile** for any animal that is 6 years of age or older.

As your pet grows older, we recommend performing basic bloodwork to evaluate your pets' internal organs. There are many common age related diseases that pets can suffer from. With early detection and treatment we are able to manage your pet's health needs. Some of these common age related diseases are:

\*Kidney Disease \* Liver Disease \*Heart Disease

\*Dental Disease \*Thyroid Disease \*Diabetes

By performing the Geriatric Profile we are able to provide a detailed look at your pet's health from the inside. There are many conditions that cannot be diagnosed by looking, touching, and listening. The testing is broke up into four portions: Complete Blood Count (CBC), Chemistry Panel **or** Prep Profile, ProBNP testing and T4.

The **CBC** test provides us with important information regarding your pet's blood cells, mainly Red Blood Cells, White Blood Cells and Platelets. Red blood cells provide information regarding your pet's oxygen-carrying ability. White blood cells show us information about your pet's immune system and overall health. Platelets are important to evaluate the ability of blood to clot properly. All of these values can be affected by certain diseases and infections. ($38.00)

The **Chemistry Panel** provides useful indicators regarding your pet's overall organ health. The Chemistry panel evaluates your pet's liver, kidneys, and intestines. These are commonly the organs that cause issues in older pets. By monitoring these levels we are able to identify disease at an early stage, before your pet shows any symptoms. ($66.96)

The **Prep Profile** also provides useful indicators regarding your pet's overall organ health, however this profile is less extensive than the Chemistry Panel (above). ($59.55)

**ProBNP** testing evaluates your pet's heart. This test is designed to help detect the early stages of heart disease even in pets without symptoms. By testing your pet's heart we are able to determine the need for further diagnostics, including Radiographs, ECG's, and Echocardiograms. ($137.46)

The **T4** test provides us with information regarding your pet's thryoid function. ($63.60)

Each of these tests provides the Doctor with crucial information regarding your pet's health. If you have any questions regarding any of these tests, please do not hesitate to ask.

**The options and costs for these tests are as follows:**

The best option for the Geriatric Profile includes the CBC, Chemistry Panel, ProBNP, and T4 (listed above) and is $309.02

The less extensive option includes the CBC, Prep Profile, ProBNP, and T4 (listed above) and is $298.61.

You may also choose individually from the options above.