



Bordetella

Bordetella bronchiseptica

- Bordetella is a highly contagious bacterial respiratory disease of dogs. It is common anywhere there are large numbers of dogs or puppies present thus giving it the common name of “Kennel Cough.”
- Most often noticed is a cough lasting anywhere from a few days to weeks. Other symptoms can include mild fever, loss of appetite, and mild lethargy.
- Bordetella can be found as a single infectious agent or can accompany viral respiratory infections such as Adenovirus 2, Parainfluenza, Mycoplasma in dogs that are not up to date on their vaccines.
- Prognosis is very good with proper treatment including antibiotics, and lots of rest. Dogs with bordetella infection should be kept away from other dogs to prevent spread of the disease.

Canine Influenza Virus (CIV)

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- Canine Influenza Virus (CIV) is a contagious viral respiratory disease of dogs. It is a reportable disease in the state of Minnesota with a National Surveillance Network present for early detection.
- CIV is transmitted by close contact with an infected dog, often in a restricted space such as an animal shelter, dog training or boarding facility and dog shows. There is a prolonged quarantine time (over 21 days) for CIV. Previous strains have not produced a high level of mortality with proper medical care.

Is my dog at risk of these diseases?

- These respiratory diseases are very easy to transmit. Today, with the high social experience for many dogs (boarding, grooming, training, dog parks, daycare and showing), we recommend that all puppies are vaccinated for Bordetella and CIV, with annual boosters in adulthood for those that have continued contact with other dogs

Can we prevent these diseases?

- Vaccination is very effective in preventing these diseases. These vaccines are also very safe.

Current status for Bordetella and CIV vaccination is required for all River Valley Grooming, Boarding and Obedience dogs and puppies.