## R.V.T Wellness Exam Policy: CA SB 669 Requirements and Considerations:

## **Restrictions on care:**

- The RVT may administer vaccinations.
- The RVT may administer preventatives (flea/tick/heartworm/intestinal parasite).
  - 'Administer' means that the product is given orally, administered topically or injected according to manufacturer recommendations during the technician wellness appointment.
  - This does not allow for the product to be approved for dispensing by the RVT. Any preventatives or medications being dispensed or prescribed in writing must be prescribed by the overseeing veterinarian.
- The RVT cannot give guidance on any health concerns.
- If a client has any health concerns, an appointment will be made and a veterinarian will evaluate the pet, and the client should be informed of this.
- The overseeing veterinarian MUST be on the premises when the technician appointments are performed.

# **Guidance for Patients that qualify:**

- Patients ELIGIBLE for RVT Wellness Exams:
  - Established patient
  - Patient has no chronic health condition documented (Dental disease, being overweight, and WELL CONTROLLED Dermatitis will be the exceptions)
  - Dogs/Cats 7 years of age and under
- Patients **NOT ELIGIBLE** for RVT Wellness Exams
  - New Clients.
  - New Patients.
  - Patients 8 years of age and older.
  - Patients 16 weeks of age and under.
  - The patient has documented pre-existing health conditions.
  - The client has **ANY** questions/concerns or needs beyond vaccinations, preventatives, or approved injections and medications.
  - Patients with a known history of vaccine reactions.

#### Medical:

- Polk Street Animal Hospital vaccine guidelines must be followed.
- Patient History must be completed with the following information:
  - Diet (brand, type, amount, frequency), treats:
  - Medications/Supplements/Preventatives (name, strength, frequency, when last administered):
  - Any history of adverse vaccine reactions or other medication allergies:
  - Do you need medication or Rx diet refills:
  - Does your pet have any food or medication allergies?
  - What type of home dental care do you perform/how often:
  - Exercise (type, duration, frequency):
  - Energy level:
  - Appetite:
  - Water Consumption/Urination:(Cats: litter box usage cat)
  - Weight loss/gain: (R.V.T. to note any weight change from last visit)

- Dog parks/boarding/daycare (Cats: what % of the time do they spend outdoors):
- Travel history (past or upcoming):
- Physical Exam (TPR, BCS, Wt., Oral)
- Diagnosis—should be an assessment as RVTs cannot make a diagnosis. <u>If any abnormalities are noted, a visit with</u> a VETERINARIAN is required for medical recommendations to be made.
- Written and posted vaccine reaction protocol:
  - This handout will be given to every client whose pet receives a vaccination.
- Preventatives approved to administer:
  - Simparica Trio (Canine)
    - 1. Simparica TRIO Chewable Tablets (3mg): 2.8-5.5lb
    - 2. Simparica TRIO Chewable Tablets (12mg): 11.1-22.0lb
    - 3. Simparica TRIO Chewable Tablets (24mg): 22.1-44.0lb
    - 4. Simparica TRIO Chewable Tablets (48mg): 44.1-88.0lb
    - 5. Simparica TRIO Chewable Tablets (72mg): 88.1-132.0lb
  - NexGard (Canine)
    - 1. NexGard® Chewables for Small Dogs (4-10lb)
    - 2. NexGard® Chewables for Medium Dogs (10.1-24lb)
    - 3. NexGard® Chewables for Large Dogs (24.1-60lb)
    - 4. NexGard® Chewables for XL Dogs (60.1-121lbs)
  - Heartguard (Canine)
    - 1. Heartgard<sup>®</sup> Plus Chewables: Blue (0-25lb)
    - 2. Heartgard® Plus Chewables: Green (26-50 lb)
    - 3. Heartgard® Plus Chewables: Brown (51-100lb)
  - Revolution Plus (Feline)
    - 1. Revolution Plus for Cats: Gold (2.8-5.5lbs)
    - 2. Revolution Plus for Cats: Orange (5.6-11lbs)
    - 3. Revolution Plus for Cats: Green (11.1 22lbs)
  - Bravecto (Canine/Feline)
    - 1. Bravecto for Dogs Chew Tabs: Yellow (4.5-9.9lbs)
    - 2. Bravecto for Dogs Chew Tabs: Orange (9.9-22lbs)
    - 3. Bravecto for Dogs Chew Tabs: Orange (22.1-44lbs)
    - 4. Bravecto for Dogs Chew Tabs: Blue (44.1-88lbs)
    - **5.** Bravecto Tolical **(Feline)**: Blue (6.2 13.8lbs)
- Medications approved to DISPENSE: (IF PREVIOUSLY PRESCRIBED)
  - Simparica Trio
    - 1. Simparica TRIO Chewable Tablets (3mg): 2.8-5.5lb
    - 2. Simparica TRIO Chewable Tablets (12mg): 11.1-22.0lb
    - 3. Simparica TRIO Chewable Tablets (24mg): 22.1-44.0lb
    - 4. Simparica TRIO Chewable Tablets (48mg): 44.1-88.0lb
    - 5. Simparica TRIO Chewable Tablets (72mg): 88.1-132.0lb
  - NexGard
    - 1. NexGard® Chewables for Small Dogs (4-10lb)
    - 2. NexGard® Chewables for Medium Dogs (10.1-24lb)
    - 3. NexGard<sup>®</sup> Chewables for Large Dogs (24.1-60lb)
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  - 2. Revolution Plus for Cats: Orange (5.6-11lbs)
  - 3. Revolution Plus for Cats: Green (11.1 22lbs)
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  - 1. Bravecto for Dogs Chew Tabs: Yellow (4.5-9.9lbs)
  - 2. Bravecto for Dogs Chew Tabs: Orange (9.9-22lbs)
  - 3. Bravecto for Dogs Chew Tabs: Orange (22.1-44lbs)
  - 4. Bravecto for Dogs Chew Tabs: Blue (44.1-88lbs)
  - **5.** Bravecto Tolical (Feline): Blue (6.2 13.8lbs)
- Medications approved to REFILL: (ONLY with verbal approval and written directions from assigned veterinarian that day)
  - Sedatives for travel/fireworks etc.:
    - 1. Gabapentin 50mg/100mg/300mg, (100mg/ml)
    - 2. Trazadone 50mg/100mg
- Pharmacy products approved for first-time dispense:
  - 1. Proviable
  - 2. Fortiflora
  - 3. Omega Benefits
  - 4. Ear Cleaners (any)
  - 5. Shampoos (any)
  - 6. Topical mousse or wipes (any)
  - 7. Drontal (ONLY for boarding/daycare requirements)
- Wellness Diagnostics approved for RVT recommendations
  - These diagnostic requests must be submitted under and reviewed by the overseeing veterinarian.
    - 1. IDX-5013 Fecal DX Profile (Canine/Feline)
    - 2. IDX-22159999 Adult Annual (Canine/Feline)

we can reschedule your pet for an exam with the veterinarian.

- 3. IDXSNAPK9HW In-House Heartworm Snap Test (Canine)
- If there are new diagnoses or recommendations based on the results of the wellness diagnostics listed above, an exam with the veterinarian must be performed before treating or making recommendations.
- Polk Street Animal Hospital Wellness guidelines must be followed. (See Standard of Care Guidelines)

# **Communication:**

Receptionist/CSR dialogue:

0	(insert pet's name) is being scheduled for an RVT Wellness Visit. This Wellness exam will be
	performed by our RVT (insert name). During the visit, (insert pet's name) will not be
	seen by a veterinarian by the RVT can administer necessary vaccinations and preventative medications
	for internal and external parasites. Any health concerns, medical questions, or discussions outside of this
	require an examination by the veterinarian and would need to be scheduled at a different time and
	would incur an additional exam fee. If your pet's health status changes between now and the

appointment time, causing them to be ineligible for an RVT Wellness Visit, don't hesitate to contact us so

• Clients will be informed of the above message verbally and by email. This should also be documented explicitly in the medical record