



Inspection Report

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Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 14-AUG-2017

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ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE.

Several aspects of the facility's veterinary care program need increased oversight and guidance from the attending veterinarian.

- There is a systemic failure to document medical treatment, and incomplete documentation of long term medical issues. Two beagles (Cheech and Chong) were identified in April 2017 as having "cherry eyes". However, there was no further instruction on monitoring, follow up, or management. Two cats - "Raven" (ID 6949) and "Cisco" (ID 7020) were noted on inspection with opacity and apparent scarring in one eye. These were documented by the facility but again there was no indication of a veterinarian examining these animals or any guidance on treatment, management, follow up, or monitoring parameters. These types of chronic conditions require clear guidance from the attending veterinarian, and must be fully and appropriately documented. Complete medical records are critical both for effective monitoring and treatment, and also to ensure clear communication of medical problems with the attending veterinarian.

- The facility has implemented a dental care program, and are categorizing each dog according to severity. However, the actual procedure for cleaning the teeth is not adequate. The procedure involves sedating the animal with xylazine and hand scaling the tartar off the teeth. There are no anesthetics or analgesics given, and it is unclear how tooth extractions are handled. There are no written guidelines from the attending veterinarian, and no SOP for the dental program at all.

Based on the records and dental program issues, there is nothing to indicate that the attending veterinarian has the appropriate awareness and oversight needed to ensure adequate veterinary care at the facility. The facility must work with the veterinarian to develop written guidance for the program, and must maintain appropriate records to ensure thorough communication with the attending veterinarian.

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During the inspection, the following dogs were found with veterinary care issues.

- A male beagle named "Whitey" (ID 4176) had red skin lesions on the lower rear legs. The facility had noted these lesions several weeks ago, and treated initially with an oral antibiotic for approximately one week. However, there was no follow-up treatment, and upon inspection the lesions had not resolved. Medical conditions must be appropriately treated, which includes follow up evaluations to assess progress and changes to the treatment plan when necessary. "Whitey" must be assessed by the attending veterinarian within 48 hours and treated appropriately. Records of treatment must be made available to inspectors.

- One beagle (ID 3432) on row D has several live ticks inside the left ear. The dog was noted tilting and shaking its head and appeared sensitive when the ear was touched. Another beagle (ID 2875) had several visible ticks on the side and flank. The facility had noted this dog as having ticks approximately two weeks earlier, but there was no indication of any treatment or preventative being applied.

Ticks are an irritant and a potential source of infection to animals. Therefore, tick control is a critical aspect of animal health. The facility SOP states that dogs will be observed for fleas and ticks on a daily basis, and treated with physical pest removal or chemical/dip application as appropriate. The facility must treat the two indicated dogs in an appropriate manner within 48 hours, and must ensure that all dogs are evaluated daily and treated as necessary.

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PRIMARY ENCLOSURES.

An outdoor pen containing seven puppies has an enclosure fence and a hot wire system that was disconnected from the power supply. The hot wire was composed of two loose strands of wire at the base of the enclosure fence, and several puppies were observed playing around and within these wires. Loose wires are a potential source of entrapment, and could result in severe injury if a puppy were to become entangled. Any loose wires within reach of the animals should be tightened or removed.

Corrected on the spot

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representative.

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