

Gateway Animal Hospital

Exam Decline Form

I, _____, elect to decline a physical exam be performed on my pet,
_____, with the vaccines I have chosen be administered by a veterinarian.

Having a physical exam and a valid Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship is necessary to your pet's overall health and wellness.

- 1) According to the American Veterinary Medical Association, a Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship is defined as a relationship that must be met by a veterinarian in the USA prior to any therapy being administered to the animal(s).

A valid VCPR requires:

- a) That the veterinarian takes responsibility for medical and treatment judgments for the animal(s)
 - b) That the client agrees to follow the veterinarian's instructions
 - c) That the veterinarian has close knowledge of the animal(s) and their medical condition obtained by examination and premise visit
 - d) That the veterinarian be available for follow up visits or has emergency coverage in the event of adverse reactions or failure of the treatment regimen.
- 2) A physical exam can detect minor abnormalities before they become serious and possibly endanger the pet if vaccines are given.

Because of the above mentioned facts, our hospital's policy states that we will not WILL NOT Prescribe or administer any medications if there has not been an exam performed within the last 12 months.

I have read and fully understand the warnings stated in this form and I accept the responsibility of my pet's health and wellness.

Print Name _____ Signed _____ Date _____