



## **Animal Medical Center of Garner, PC**

**As licensed veterinarians, we are required to uphold the standard of care set forth by the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board. These standards of care are in place for the protection and well-being of the patients we are responsible for.**

**The North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board standard of care requires licensed veterinarians to have a doctor-patient-client relationship with a pet which is defined as a recent examination before any vaccine can be administered, before any medical advice can be given or before any medication can be prescribed. Heartworm prevention is considered a prescription medication.**

**Our standard of care for our patients is to have an examination within the last 365 days and a yearly heartworm test as recommended by the American Heartworm Society to be able to provide our patients with heartworm prevention.**

**If you have any questions we will be happy to answer those for you.  
You may contact the NC Veterinary Medical Board at 919-854-5601.  
You may also view the recommendations of the American Heartworm Society at [www.heartwormsociety.org](http://www.heartwormsociety.org)**

**Thank you.**

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