

ALL ABOUT MICROCHIPPING

Client Information Series

Microchipping your pets is another way of identifying them, like a tag on their collar. A microchip is a tiny computer chip that is programmed with an identification number. Once your pet is microchipped they can be identified throughout their lives with a one of a kind number.

The microchip is placed using a needle and syringe and most animals don't even notice it being done. The microchip is placed under the skin between the shoulder blades and once there it is rarely felt when you are petting your pet. It is recommended that your pet stays quiet for about 24 hours after the microchip is placed to ensure that the chip does not migrate to a different area of the body.

A special scanner is used to scan your pet for the microchip and shows us the number and the microchip is registered to you. If you adopt a pet that already has a microchip it is important to ensure that the microchip information is transferred to you. It is also important to update your information, such as address and telephone number if it changes; with the microchip manufacturer. It is also a good idea to have the microchip scanned on a yearly basis to ensure that it is still working.

A microchip is a great form of identification that has helped many pets reunite with their owners.



“Caring for your pets...as if they were our own”