

# Pet Discharge Report Card

## Downtown Veterinary Hospital

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<b>Patient</b>	Sparky
<b>Age</b>	3 months
<b>Sex</b>	Male
<b>Breed</b>	Corgi
<b>Vaccines</b>	Current [ ] Due [ ]
<b>Heartworm</b>	Current [ ] Due [ ]
<b>Client</b>	Susan Thomas
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<b>Client ID</b>	123456
<b>Examination Date</b>	April 15, 2017

Sparky was examined today by Dr. Smith. We are providing these instructions so you can help treat Sparky's ear mites successfully. Please closely follow the instructions. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call our practice.

### Examination, Diagnosis, & Treatment

Sparky presented with head shaking and ear scratching. Careful examination of the ear canals revealed a dark, crumbly wax typical for ear mites. Microscopic examination confirmed the presence of live mites. Gentle flushing and cleaning of the ear canals was necessary to facilitate proper medication. The medications described below will break the mites' life cycle and prevent transmission to other pets.

### Exercise & Environmental Control

Ear mites are contagious to other pets (eg, dogs, cats, ferrets). We recommend all pets receive monthly treatment to prevent parasites (eg, ear mites, heartworm, intestinal parasites).

### Nutrition

Sparky's continual wellbeing and longevity depends greatly on his diet. We recommend \_\_\_\_\_, a diet that has been formulated for dogs with Sparky's lifestyle and his life stage.

### Medications

#### **Heartworm Preventive Topical Solution (selamectin for dogs 0-15 lb)**

Monthly heartworm prevention is recommended for all pets in this area. Heartworm is a potentially fatal disease transmitted by mosquitoes. In addition to

preventing heartworm infection and intestinal parasites, this medication treats and prevents ear mites.

### Additional Information

Sparky's ears were cleaned and he was treated with a single-dose ear medication (ivermectin) in both ears today. No further ear drops are required, but several monthly treatments with heartworm preventive are necessary to fully eliminate the ear mites. Ear mites can cause severe inflammation of the ear canal if not managed properly. Chronic infections tend to be accompanied by secondary infections with bacteria and yeast that can result in permanent ear canal damage, which requires surgical correction. If you see Sparky shaking his head or notice large amounts of debris in the ears, his ear canals may need additional flushing.

### Progress Examination

We recommend Sparky visits the practice in 3 weeks for a recheck examination to monitor his progress and therapy and administer his final puppy vaccinations.

### Signs for Concern

- Continual head shaking and ear scratching
- Odor from the ears
- Tilting the head to one side
- Refusing to eat
- Vomiting or diarrhea