

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

Gail McGonigal Customer ID: 14952

526 Lawrence Rd. 543 Certificate:
Alicia, AR 72410

Site: 002

GAIL MC GONIGAL

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 27-FEB-2024

2.40(b)(2) Critical

Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care (dealers and exhibitors).

A Pomeranian female (m/c# 933041000008445) had 2 puppies on 1/1/2024. The puppies appeared weak. The applicant was unsure if the puppies were nursing well and had not tried to learn if they were nursing well. No other attempt was made to help the puppies. She had not consulted with a veterinarian and did not intend to as she believed the puppies were going to die. The attending veterinarian was called for an appointment that afternoon but the applicant stated to the inspector that she could not get an appointment. No other veterinarian was called and no other intervention was attempted and the puppies died. Failure to provide accurate and timely medical care can result in continued suffering and death. For the health and well being of the dogs, each dealer or exhibitor shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include the use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries.

Correction date: 28 February 2024

2.40(b)(3) Direct

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*Brandy, (id# 603518553, DOB 6/21/20) a female Shih Tzu with 4 puppies approximately 2-3 weeks of age was very thin. Her hips, shoulder, ribs, spine were easily felt and there was an abdominal tuck. The applicant had not observed this condition on the daily observations. There was no consultation with a veterinarian to establish a diagnosis and proper treatment for this dog. Poor body condition can be the result of parasites, inadequate nutrition, or an underlying medical condition. The quality of her milk can also be negatively affected by the poor body condition, which then may affect the health and well being of the puppies.

Failure to conduct thorough daily observations can lead to delayed identification of animal issues and unnecessary animal pain or discomfort. Brandy must be evaluated by a veterinarian to know with certainty the problem and the correct treatment. Documentation of the evaluation, recommended treatment and delivered treatments must be available to APHIS officials.

*Prissy, (id# 603371373) a female Shih Tzu, was observed to be squinting in the right eye. The hair under the eye is moist from discharge and there is an opaque area in both eye globes. The condition of the eye was not seen on daily observations, thus not provided with diagnosis and treatment. There was no consultation with a veterinarian to establish a diagnosis and proper treatment for this dog. Failure to conduct thorough daily observations can lead to delayed identification of animal issues and unnecessary animal pain or discomfort. Eye injuries are painful and can quickly worsen

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if not treated properly. Squinting is a significant indicator of pain and the discharge indicates that the eye is irritated. This dog must be evaluated by a veterinarian for proper diagnosis and treatment. Documentation of the evaluation, recommended treatment and delivered treatments must be available to APHIS officials.

*Bernie, a male Shih Tzu (OAO2346259, DOB 6/21/2014) had a dark crusty discharge around and under his right eye. There was an opaque spot on the eye globe. Observation of the teeth showed a large amount of dark hard material on most of the teeth. The interior of the upper lip had sores in the area they contacted the teeth. The eye condition and dental condition were not observed thus not provided with diagnosis and treatment. There was no consultation with a veterinarian to establish a diagnosis and proper treatment for this dog. Failure to conduct thorough daily observations can lead to delayed identification of animal issues and unnecessary animal pain or discomfort. Eye injuries are painful and can quickly worsen if not treated properly. Squinting is a significant indicator of pain and the discharge indicates that the eye is irritated. Heavy buildup of plaque and tartar on the teeth with redness, and swelling of the mucous membranes can be signs of dental problems and can cause infection, pain, and discomfort to the animal. Bernie must be evaluated by a veterinarian for proper diagnosis and treatment. Documentation must be available to APHIS officials.

Daily observation of all animals to assess their health and well-being is essential to provide timely and accurate communication with a veterinarian of problems so diagnosis and treatment can be provided. The applicant must have an effective program of observing the dogs daily for any health problems and communicating with a veterinarian in a timely manner.

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This inspection and exit interview were conducted with a facility representative.

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Species Inspected

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