



Inspection Report

Niki Blevins
15425 St Hwy 125 S
Garrison, MO 65657

Customer ID: **332163**
Certificate: **43-A-5909**
Site: 001
Niki Blevins

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 14-JUN-2016

2.40(b)(2) REPEAT

ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

**** This was a focused inspection to ensure the animals cited in the previous inspection report (conducted 6 June 2016) were examined and diagnosed by a veterinarian and treated appropriately. The animals were: "Jasper" an adult, male Egyptian Mau cat (#27); a 5-week-old female Egyptian Mau; an 8-week-old male Egyptian Mau; and a litter of five 10-day-old Russian Blue kittens.

The licensee could not get an appointment with her regular veterinarian by the correction deadline (without an emergency visit) so she took the cat and two kittens to a veterinary clinic she had never visited before. The veterinarian stated that a proper diagnosis would require examinations and cultures. He stated he could provide those services for a fair fee but he recommended that the licensee's usual veterinarian examine the cats and diagnose the problem since this was a chronic problem in the cattery and he was familiar with the facility history. This veterinarian never examined the animals, never provided a diagnosis or treatment plan, and never charged the licensee.

The licensee stated that later in the week she took the cat and two kittens to her regular veterinarian. According to the licensee, the attending veterinarian diagnosed the kittens with chlamydia and recommended treating with terramycin (twice a day) and amoxicillin (once a day) for ten days. According to the licensee, the veterinarian stated Jasper's wound was consistent with a cat fight and should be treated daily with Triple Antibiotic Ointment. The licensee had no documentation from the veterinarian about these diagnoses or treatment plans. There were no discharge instructions or even a bill. The licensee keeps individual treatment records for each cat and kitten at the facility but was unable to provide the inspector with any records showing these animals were being treated. The licensee stated she had been providing the treatments for three days but was unable to show the amoxicillin being used to treat the animals. She stated she had just ran out of amoxicillin that morning. She stated she needed to order more but it would likely be several days before she received it. According to the licensee, the vet clinic does not carry amoxicillin so it has to be special ordered. The inspector called the attending veterinary clinic and was told amoxicillin does not need to be special ordered. Furthermore, the veterinary clinic could not confirm that the three animals had been seen within the past week.

Although the cat and kittens appear to have improved, the problem may not fully resolve if the treatment plan isn't

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followed to completion. Furthermore, failing to administer the entire antibiotic regimen as prescribed (i.e. skipping daily doses) may result in highly resistant bacteria in the kittens, making future bacterial infections very difficult to treat.

The licensee must ensure that all animals receive proper veterinary care at all times. This includes ensuring that all medical care is properly documented and all treatment plans are followed as prescribed.

The inspection and an exit briefing were conducted with the licensee.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	<i>Felis silvestris catus</i>	CAT ADULT
000007	<i>Felis silvestris catus</i>	CAT KITTEN
000008	Total	