

FIV MEDICAL DISCLOSURE FOR FIV (EXPOSURE)

This pet has been in a home with another cat that tested positive for Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV). At this time, this pet has tested negative for FIV on a snap test. We recommend that you have this pet retested within 30-60 days after the initial test date at your own veterinarian. In the meantime, we recommend that you isolate this pet from other cats in the household until confirmed negative by your own veterinarian. FIV is a virus of domestic cats that can be transmitted through fighting and sexual behavior, but it is unlikely to be transmitted to other cats in the household provided they do not fight. Otherwise the virus does not survive well in the environment and may last only for a few minutes. However, careful consideration should be taken prior to bringing an FIV positive cat into a household with FIV negative cats since this is a lifelong non-treatable infection. Felines living with an FIV infection are considered immunocompromised, although many live healthy normal lives. It is very important to make sure their basic wellness needs are addressed with your regular veterinarian and that the owners carefully monitor for signs of infection or dental disease. All follow-up care will need to be done at the owner's veterinarian and at the owner's expense.