

**ZOONOSIS** refers to a parasite or disease, like rabies, that can be passed from animals to humans. Members of your family can unknowingly pick up **ZOONOTIC PARASITES** at the park, on a sidewalk, or even in their own backyard. Children are especially vulnerable to zoonotic parasites, mostly because children play outside and sometimes have a tendency to put objects in their mouths.

The most common zoonotic parasites are roundworms and hookworms. **In fact, in the U.S. alone, nearly 20% of children contract roundworms from their pets each year.** Parasites in humans can lead to abdominal pain, skin irritations, neurological problems, and vision loss.

**You want to keep your pet healthy and your family safe from disease.** Advanced parasite control medication for your pet is available. Because the risk of parasites is often year round, **we recommend a monthly parasite prevention program and a regular microscopic examination of your pet's stool.**

*Jackie Smith, DVM*

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# What is Zoonosis ?

## AND WHY SHOULD YOU CARE



Roundworm effect on the eye



Hookworm effect on the skin

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## Heartworm Facts...

- Heartworm is carried by mosquitoes.
- Mosquitoes are found in all 50 states.
- Heartworm Disease has been found in all 50 states.
- A mosquito becomes infected when it bites an infected dog or coyote and then the mosquito bites and infects an uninfected dog or cat.
- Dogs that do not receive consistent periodic preventative measures for heartworm disease may only live 2-5 years after being infected.
- Keeping your pet inside will not guarantee that it will not get heartworm disease. Mosquitoes can get inside the house.



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- **Trifexis<sup>®</sup> for Dogs** - monthly chewable for heartworm prevention plus fleas, hookworm, roundworm and whipworm control.
- **Revolution<sup>®</sup> for Cats** - monthly topical solution for heartworm prevention plus flea, hookworm, roundworm and ear mite control.

**An Important Health Message Concerning Your Pet and Your Family.**



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