



HAVE YOU EVER LOST A PET?



Most people believe that it could never happen to them, but the facts do not lie.

- * Every two seconds a family pet is lost and most never make it back because their owners could not locate them.
- * Shelters are already overcrowded, so lost pets can only be kept for a short period of time.
- * More pets die because their owners are unable to locate them than from all infectious diseases combined.

NOW YOU CAN EASILY PROTECT YOUR LOVED ONE!

MICROCHIPS are a very popular way to protect your pet. These microchips contain a personal, one-of-a-kind identification number that distinguishes your pet as a special member of your family. The chips are so tiny that they fit through a hypodermic needle and, just like a vaccination, it's injected under the skin of your pet where it remains safely for life.

THE PROCEDURE IS INEXPENSIVE AND CAN BE DONE ANYTIME!

Most shelters and veterinarians are now equipped with a microchip scanner. Lost pets are being found every day. If your pet is found, it will be scanned for a microchip and then if the chip is present, the number will be used to identify your pet and you will then be contacted.

Another benefit to having a microchip implanted in your pet is that the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture has recently approved a lifetime dog license for all pets that have microchips implanted as permanent identification. A brief summary of the procedure for securing a lifetime license is as follows:

- * Obtain a Dog License Application and a Permanent Identification Verification Form from the County Treasurer or our office.
- * Call our office and make an appointment to have your dog to have a microchip implanted.

OR

- * Bring your dog, the completed application and verification form to your appointment for a quick scanning and signing of the verification form by our office personnel.

THEN

- * Return the application, verification form and required fees to the County Treasurer within 30 days of signature of the form.



**ASK YOUR VETERINARIAN OR TECHNICIAN
TODAY HOW YOUR PET CAN BE PROTECTED!**