

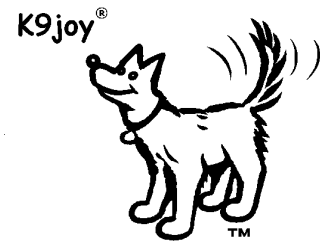


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## **SEMINAR:**

# **"Vaccines - how they work, when they work – and what we know and do not know about them"**

### **Overall frame:**

Evening (half-day) seminar of 3 hours duration, sometimes more...

### **Preconditions:**

Students should be at least 15 years old. No special education is required, just common sense and the ability to *think*.

### **Objective:**

**To give the student some down-to-earth understanding of:**

- **how the immune system functions, particularly in a dog/puppy, and how immunity against disease is generated and possibly measured.**
- **how vaccines are manufactured, how they work, and why they sometimes do not work as intended...**
- **what information one needs in order to make a diligent decision about vaccinating or not against a given disease.**

**To enable the student to make some qualified identification of those canine diseases that might be worthy candidates of vaccination, and those who definitely are not.**

**To give the student some options to strategies for dealing with vets and authorities who are abusing their powers.**



## Contents:

- **The function of a healthy immune system:**
  - How a disease can hurt a body
  - Discovering and fighting disease – and cleaning up...
  - Putting a preparedness plan together...
  - Keeping a guard force on alert – maintaining preparedness
- **The fundamental idea behind vaccines**
- **How vaccines are manufactured**
  - Growth of the desired micro-organisms
  - Making the micro-organisms “harmless”
  - Extracting the micro-organisms into a dispersible liquid (“formulating” them for packaging, distribution, and storage...)
- **How we can measure the effect of vaccines - sometimes**
- **The *certain* effects of injecting a vaccine into a body**
  - Taking the immune system “by surprise” by bypassing the normal entrances for foreign micro-organisms
  - Chemical poisoning and overreactions against foreign protein
  - Problems identifying the true culprit...
  - Stressing/exhausting the immune system, at least locally...
- **Proven clinical side-effects of vaccination and their likelihood**
  - The vaccine manufacturers’ own warnings
  - The Canine Health Concern’s alarming proof
  - Some additional empiric experience
- **What scientific proof exists of the efficacy of vaccine?**
  - Why scientists and manufacturers use different standards
  - How manufacturers make money on public hysteria...
  - Why the US veterinary association does not recommend what the US vet schools teach and recommend...
- **Factors that can inhibit the desired effect of the vaccine**
  - What the vaccine manufacturers claim – and do not claim.
  - When the immune system is busy with other things...
  - If the immune system is too stressed or too weak....
  - When the immune system is too smart to be taken by the false alarm....
  - The lessons we can learn from the Swiss Distemper epidemic in 1984
- **Working with your vet**
  - Understanding your vet’s financial situation
  - Why vets do not respect the manufacturers’ warnings and do not follow their prescribed protocol...
  - How to deal with non-cooperative vets
- **Your alternatives and your options for fighting back**



## Good reasons for being alert...

Vaccination has become a standard “thing to do”, particularly for dogs. Every year, they get another “shot”, which is a combined injection of several vaccines. Few people question this, and fewer yet question the way it is done. People *assume* that their veterinarian knows best and that he/she recommends this in order to save your dog from the horrors of some dangerous disease....

People make this decision with their emotions – without having done their due diligence and first found out if this truly is as warranted as the vet says.....

We will leave answering that question to you. But, at this seminar, we will certainly be happy to present to you the information you *should* include in your due diligence! And we warn you: you may not *like* it..

Here are some important questions you have a right to get answered to, before you let yourself get conned into accepting that your vet injects poisonous substances, called vaccine, into your dog’s body:

- “Are vaccines really **safe?** What proof exists of this? What side-effects can I expect, and with what likelihood?”
- “Are vaccines really **effective?** What proof exists of this? Who provides this proof – is it from an independent source, or from a manufacturer, who is out to make money?”
- “Are the vaccines I get really **necessary** in my area, and under my circumstances – in other words: are the diseases they are supposed to protect my dog against even *present* here, or are we just fighting some non-existing ghosts?”
- “What **financial interests or other possible bias** does my vet have in this? Does he/she make more or less money on making these recommendations to me and to other clients? Is he/she subject to other people’s influence and power?”
- “Why is the US Veterinary Medical Association not demanding from its members that they at least follow the recommendations of the 27 US vet schools, when it comes to protocol for vaccinating, including vaccination frequency?”
- “Why don’t we **vaccinate people and not dogs**, if we truly are so afraid of rabies, and the fear is legitimate?”
- “Why do vets vaccinate sick dogs and dogs that are just “rescued” in a shelter and most likely seriously immune-depressed, when the manufacturers of all vaccines clearly write on the labels that only healthy dogs with a strong immune system should be vaccinated?”



## **What you get out of this seminar:**

The most important question, "Should I vaccinate my dog or not?" cannot be answered by anyone but yourself, as many personal factors will affect what you might want to choose! Those personal factors include things like

- How *you* deal with the important information that does not exist....
- How much trust *you* put into anecdotal evidence that is not summarized into "scientific reports" that are easy to scrutinize, but nevertheless of vast volume...
- How much trust *you* put into "scientific studies" that are made by or paid for multi-billion dollar industries that have a stake in selling their products, based on this "evidence" they paid for...
- What risks *you* can accept, and what risks you want to avoid, even at a price (as you know, risk can never be eliminated; only replaced...)
- What *your* financial situation is – because some of your choices might be costly...
- What kind of pressure *you* are under from other people, including government and various organizations who have power over you...
- What kind of priority *you* place on your dog's health, compared to how you prioritize bringing your dog along to certain activities you enjoy, such as show, visitation services, etc.

The seminar will focus on giving you some very specific knowledge about what we know and what we do not know about vaccines and their effects. It will particularly reveal the most important financial and political stakes...

## **What your dog will get out of it:**

For your dog, the outcome is certain: It will experience that you make the optimal choice for it in regards to maintaining its good health! Whatever that choice might be for you and your dog...

## **What your vet will get out of it...**

You can rest assured that the average vet will see a serious decline in his income, if all his/her clients attend this seminar and began to *think*....

Hopefully for you, you have a vet that is not "average"! Maybe you are even so lucky that you can get him/her to work with you on these issues, and accept that, through this seminar, you get more honest and relevant information about this topic than he/she did in vet school...