



Reactions to Vaccinations

St. Michael Veterinary Clinic

Luckily reactions are very **uncommon**. But if you notice any of the following please let us know immediately.

1.) Reactions most often seen. These do not need veterinary care but should be noted and reported.

- A.) Unusually quiet behavior, some loss of appetite, and/or soreness at the sight of injection. Usually seen within 24 hours after vaccinating.
- B.) Vaccination Granuloma
 - Swelling at the site of the injection, not painful.
 - Noticed 7-10 days after vaccinating
 - Should resolve in 3 weeks (otherwise may not be reaction and needs to be seen by veterinarian).

2.) Reactions rarely seen but REQUIRE IMMEDIATE VETERINARY CARE.

- A.) URTICARIA or ANGIONEUROTIC EDEMA.
 - 20 minutes after vaccinating (sometimes several hours after).
 - Swelling of the soft tissues around the head, especially the eyes, mouth and ears.
 - Drainage from the eyes.
 - Rubbing or pawing at the face.
- B.) ANAPHYLACTIC SHOCK or IMMEDIATE HYPERSENSITIVITY REACTION.
 - Seen 10-30 minutes after vaccinating.
 - May be restless or just collapse
 - Vomiting and/or diarrhea
 - Seizures
 - Coma and death due to circulatory and respiratory collapse.