



## Microchip Your Pet for Peace of Mind

At Douds Veterinary Hospital we highly recommend that you microchip your pets to give them the best chance for a happy homecoming if they should ever become lost.

Our HomeAgain microchip service includes microchip insertion, a lifetime registration in the database, and a one-year HomeAgain membership.

### How common is it to lose a pet?

1 in 3 pets will become lost during its lifetime.  
Getting lost is the #1 cause of death for pets.  
Without ID, 90% of pets never return home.

### How do microchips help?

The microchip is a permanent ID that links you to your pet.  
Collars and tags are not as reliable because they can fall off or be removed.

### What exactly is a microchip and how does it work?

A microchip is a small, electronic chip enclosed in a glass cylinder about the size of a grain of rice. It's placed under the skin of the pet with a hypodermic needle. When a scanner is passed over the area, radio waves put out by the scanner activate the chip. The chip transmits its identification number to the scanner, where it is displayed on a screen.

### Does it hurt my pet?

Inserting a microchip causes no more discomfort than a vaccination.

### How does having a microchip help get my lost pet back home?

After we microchip your pet we enroll your pet's microchip ID code in the HomeAgain national pet recovery database along with your contact information.

If your lost pet is taken to an animal shelter or clinic, the staff will scan the microchip to read its ID code.

The staff will then call the HomeAgain registry with your pet's ID code.

As soon as your contact information is retrieved, you will be contacted so you can be reunited with your pet.

You can also report your lost pet to the HomeAgain network to get assistance in finding your pet.

### What else does the HomeAgain annual membership include?

24/7 Lost Pet Specialists  
Rapid Lost Pet Alerts  
Personalized Lost Pet Posters  
24/7 Emergency Medical Hotline  
Travel assistance for found pets

### How can I get more information?

Call our office at 440-774-4542.

Go online at [www.homeagain.com](http://www.homeagain.com)