Adult Manx Cat

Manx cats are playful, social and highly intelligent. You should also know they can be predisposed to the following ailments. Examinations twice a year and routine diagnostics to catch problems early, when they are easiest to treat, are recommended for the life of your cat.

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**Periodontal Disease**

**Description**
Manx cats are prone to dental disease and gingivitis (inflammation of the gums).

**Early Detection**
Recommended: Regular comprehensive examination including dental examination and routine dental cleaning.

**Why Needed**
Dental disease can cause:
- Severe pain and discomfort, often leading to anorexia and weight loss
- Loss of teeth and bone
- Spread of infection to other body areas
- Potential for heart and kidney disease

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**Corneal Dystrophy**

**Description**
This is a congenital disorder associated with the development of the cornea. It causes dysfunction and can result in erosion and degeneration of the cornea.

**Early Detection**
Recommended: Regular ophthalmic (eye) examination (including fundic examinations of the interior of the eye) and regular neurologic examination.

**Why Needed**
Corneal dystasia can cause:
- Progressive damage to the cornea
- Scarring of the cornea
- Significant pain and irritation to the cornea

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**Sacrocaudal Dysgenesis**

**Description**
Manx cats are predisposed to sacrocaudal dysgenesis, which is a malformation of the sacral vertebrae (vertebrae in the pelvic region). This is associated with the lack of a tail in Manx cats.

**Early Detection**
Recommended: Regular physical and neurologic examinations.

**Why Needed**
Sacrocaudal dysgenesis can cause:
- Urinary incontinence
- Urine scalding and irritation of the perineal region (muscle and fascia between the vagina and rectum in females and between the scrotum and rectum in males)
- Sometimes neurologic bladder and hind limb-associated disorders can occur
- Skin fold dermatitis (intertrigo) of the area

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**Optimum Wellness Plans® and Manx Cats**

**Included in the Active Prevention Plan**
- Comprehensive physical examinations
- Ophthalmic (eye) examination (including fundic examination of the interior of the eye)
- Annual urinalysis and bloodwork to check blood glucose levels, liver and kidney function
- Annual dental cleaning

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