

## **YEAR ROUND HEARTWORM MEDICINE USE AND ANNUAL FECAL EXAM REQUIREMENTS**

The ATD Board is following the recommendation of the Companion Animal Parasite Council ([www.capcvet.org](http://www.capcvet.org)) in requiring annual fecal exams for all registered dogs. Dogs that are on year round heartworm prevention may still acquire several types of intestinal parasites, such as certain protozoans and hookworms, which are transmissible to humans, and therefore still require the annual fecal exam. For more information regarding this issue visit [www.capcvet.org](http://www.capcvet.org) or [www.cdc.gov/healthypets/animals/dogs.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/healthypets/animals/dogs.htm).