Prepare for your visit

- **Have answers ready**
  Have some basic info about your dog's age, and any previous vaccinations, health issues, or surgeries.

- **Play a little**
  Help your dog burn off some nervous energy with a walk or some playtime before leaving.

- **Enjoy the ride**
  Throw a favorite blanket or toy in the car to keep your dog comfortable during the trip.

- **Treat often**
  In the waiting room, praise and treat your dog to calm him around the other pets and people.

During the checkup

- **Body Condition**
  Expect a check for weight, parasites, etc.

- **Joints & Mobility**
  How active is your dog? Expect a check of his reflexes, temperament, etc.

- **Respiratory**
  Does your dog wheeze or struggle to breathe? Any congestion?

- **Oral & Digestive**
  Any changes in appetite? Stool? Check for healthy teeth, gums, and breath.

- **Urinary**
  Expect a check of the reproductive organs (if present), bladder, prostate, and kidneys.

- **Glands**
  Expect a check of the lymph nodes, anal glands, etc.

Post-checkup questions

- **Does anything seem unusual about my dog's health?**
- **Any recommended changes to his food/diet?**
- **Any necessary vaccinations or follow-up visits?**