

## **Pet Checkoff List**

### **(Facility Pets, Family Pets, Outside Pets)**

- If a facility pet – An agreement (contract) with the local veterinarian to provide care to the animal. This can be a simple letter from them on letter head.
- If a facility pet –Current copy of all county and state required vaccinations.
- If a facility pet – (If applicable) Copy of animal taxes paid. Example: Dog tax.
- If a facility pet – Policy in place to address infection control, location and housing of animal, resident interaction, cleaning, feeding and veterinary care.
- If a facility pet – (if applicable) Contract with cleaning/maintenance company. Example: birds and fish.
- If a family brings a pet to visit – Policy on locations the animal has access to, leash requirement and vaccinations.
- If a family brings a pet to visit – Care plan as an intervention for resident.

- If a family brings a pet to visit – Copy of current vaccinations records on file.
- If a pet is kept outside at the facility – Example: stray cats. Policy on who, what, when and how the animal is cared for, vaccinations if resident interaction.
- If your facility allows residents to bring and live with a pet – Policy on who, what, when and where the animal is care for, financial reasonability, who will care for the animal when resident becomes unable, and plan for when the animal becomes a safety hazard for the resident.