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Low-Cost Spay/Neuter and Wellness Clinic:

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Northeast Adoption Center and Low-Cost Clinic:

1810 Grant Avenue · Philadelphia, PA 19115 · 215-545-9600

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Welcome to PAWS Bottle-feeding Initiative Fostering Program!

Thank you for joining us in saving lives.

We are providing this quick reference to answer the most frequently asked questions and to help ensure your foster experience goes as smoothly as possible.

- **Please read The Kitten Lady's booklet to learn the basics on how to bottle feed:**
https://www.dropbox.com/s/z7pwoipf7nxsblD/KittenLady_OrphanKittens.pdf?dl=0
- **Please always use your animal's ID or "A number" when corresponding with us, coming into a vaccination clinic, scheduling surgery or vet appointments.** Doing so streamlines the process and eliminates confusion.
- **Please fill out the monitor book after every feeding** with the times of their feedings, how much they ate, whether they peed or pooped, or anything out of the ordinary that you are observing. Kittens should be urinating after every feeding and ideally defecating once daily.
- **Kittens need to be weighed every day and recorded in the monitor book.** If a kitten is losing/not gaining weight for 2-3 feedings in a row, please alert maria@phillypaws.org and foster@phillypaws.org. Page 7 of the Kitten Lady Booklet has tips for fussy kittens to promote eating.
- **If a bottle-feeding kitten does not defecate or urinate when stimulated for 24 hours**, please email either clinic (neclinic@phillypaws.org or gfclinic@phillypaws.org) and copy maria@phillypaws.org and foster@phillypaws.org as this can develop into an emergency. Chronic liquid diarrhea/constipation are also concerns. For constipated kittens, the formula can be diluted 3:1, 1-2 drops of olive oil added, and extra tummy massages can be given to promote the production of stool.
- **It is important to always keep bottle-feeding kittens clean and dry.** Please make sure to wipe them with unscented baby wipes and dry them after every bathroom stimulation/accident. Urine and feces left on their skin can cause infections and rawness. They can be given a cream (for example, Desitin or Vaseline) and sterile water.
- **At 6 weeks old, kittens will get combo tested for FIV/FelV and begin their vaccination sequence.** These services can be done at either clinic during walk-in vaccine clinic days (see blue clinic flier).
- **Don't forget to sign up for our Facebook group**, you can get answers to lots of common questions! Search Philly PAWS Fosters and PAWS Bottle Feeder, and ask to join.
- **Kittens can be fixed when they reach 2.5 pounds** (around 12-14 weeks of age) and are healthy. To schedule a spay/neuter appointment, please email foster@phillypaws.org and provide your kitten's A#, age, name, and color (ex. "I need a spay appointment for A20943441 Kanga DSH 3 months old black kitten.")

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