

Pet Health Network

Here, on Pet Health Network, you'll find the resources and expertise needed to protect and monitor your pet from countless diseases and conditions. Scan the links and photos below for information relevant to you and to see what advice our veterinarians have to offer. We're confident that these articles will help you strengthen your bond with your own veterinarian and put you in position to be your pet's best advocate when it comes to healthcare concerns. Please use this knowledge to your advantage as a proud and loving pet parent.

Dr. Ruth's Diabetes 101

Diabetes mellitus is a multifactorial disease, influenced by both inherited and environmental factors.

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Diabetes in Dogs and Cats

Diabetes Mellitus Overview

Because diabetes mellitus most commonly occurs in older patients the signs are easily overlooked.

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Diabetes Mellitus in Cats

Diabetes mellitus is a common condition in people and relatively common in cats as well.

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Diabetes Mellitus in Dogs

Even though diabetes is a common human disease, our four-legged friends can get diabetes, too.

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Hypoglycemia in Dogs

Low blood sugar is not a disease itself; rather, it is a

symptom of an underlying disease or problem.

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Hypothyroidism / Hyperthyroidism in Dogs and Cats

Hyperthyroidism in Cats

It occurs when the thyroid glands, located in your cat's neck, produce an excess of thyroid hormone.

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Hypothyroidism and Hyperthyroidism in Dogs

Thyroid disorders are more common in middle aged and older dogs.

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Hypothyroidism in Dogs

What should you keep an eye out for if you suspect your canine friend is hypothyroid?

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Pancreatitis in Dogs and Cats

Acute Pancreatitis in Cats

Cats instinctually hide the fact that they are sick, and cats with pancreatitis are no exception.

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Chronic Pancreatitis in Dogs

There are many suggested causes of pancreatitis including obesity, high-fat diets, liver disease, and toxins.

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Acute Pancreatitis in Dogs

The introduction of a large amount of fatty food all at once can cause acute pancreatitis.

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Exocrine Pancreatic Insufficiency in Dogs and Cats

Pancreatic inflammation may also destroy the insulin producing cells—resulting in diabetes.

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Insulinoma in Dogs

Both mixed breeds and pure breeds can be affected by this type of tumor.

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Pain Management

Pain Management During Surgery

Surgery cannot possibly be 100% comfortable; fortunately, in the vast majority of cases, we can keep patients mostly pain-free.

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Aspirin Toxicity in Cats

Aspirin is a drug that has many benefits for both pets and people; unfortunately, it can also be dangerous.

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Anesthesia in Dogs and Cats

Anesthesia and Your Dog

There are always risks when any anesthetic agent is administered to a patient, regardless of the length of time the patient is anesthetized.

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Anesthesia and Your Cat

Several safeguards are put into place to help reduce your cat's risk during anesthesia.

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Preanesthetic Testing and Your Pet

So what exactly is your veterinarian looking for during preanesthetic testing?

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Regular Checkups

My Pet's Perfectly Healthy! Why Should I See my Veterinarian?

It's actually really important to have your pet examined, blood work and all, at least once a year.

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Five Questions to Ask Your Veterinarian

To optimize your pet's next routine appointment, make sure you ask your veterinarian these 5 questions!

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Why Should You Take a Seemingly Healthy Pet to the Vet?

There are early warning systems in pets but they are subtle. Certainly one is age.

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Paging Dr. Google? Not So Fast.

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