

Dental Care is one of the Six Pillars of Preventative Health Care

Critical Pillars of Good Health:

- ◆ *Regular Wellness Exams and Early Detections of Disease*
- ◆ *Routine Vaccinations*
- ◆ ***Preventative Dental Care***
- ◆ *Parasite and Flea Control and Prevention*
- ◆ *Regular Exercise*
- ◆ *Nutrition*

Talk to one of our veterinarians about your pet's preventative health care today!



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Facts about Dental Care of Dogs and Cats



SIMPLIFYING DENTAL CARE

Does my pet really need their teeth cleaned?

YES!

Our pets teeth and dental care requirements are very similar to our own. We brush our teeth daily to ensure they stay clean and to fight tooth decay, gingivitis, and periodontal disease.

You cat or dog can develop the same problems if they are left untreated. Infact, when left for long periods of time, tooth and gum disease can lead to other health concerns including liver, heart and kidney failure.

Did you know that not only is regular cleaning available, but also root canals, dental x-rays, orthodontics, crowns, caps and periodontal surgery.

Be sure to discuss your pets dental care program each time you visit one of our veterinarians!.

A day of dental care for your cat or dog at Shaw Pet Hospitals.

“Missy” has arrived for a regular wellness exam. Upon which the Doctor recommends a dental cleaning. You schedule the appointment and bring “Missy” in a few days later....

“Missy” is given

- ◆ A preanesthetic physical exam upon arrival.
- ◆ A sedative to calm her nerves followed by a safe modern anesthetic agent.
- ◆ A complete oral exam to check on the condition of her teeth and gums, and for any extractions that may be necessary.
- ◆ Her teeth are scaled, polished, treated with fluoride both above and below the gum line and a dental chart is completed
- ◆ Once the dental is completed “Missy” is allowed to wake up in a soft bed of warm blankets and heating pads.
- ◆ By late afternoon, Missy is ready to go home with homecare instructions, pain medication if needed and recommendations from the Doctor. Her mouth is much healthier and the dangers of unchecked periodontal disease have been dealt with!

Three simple steps to ensure good dental health

- ◆ Take your pet to the Doctor for a dental exam and cleaning on a regular basis. Most pets need dental prophylaxis annually.
- ◆ Begin regular dental care at home under the guidance of your veterinarian
- ◆ Continue with regular dental checkups.

Shaw Pet Hospitals has the following available for your pets good dental health.

- ◆ Dental diets like Hills t/d and VMD Dental
- ◆ Treats like C.E.T. and Medi-Treats
- ◆ Pet safe toothpaste and brushes

Only your veterinarian is trained to maintain your pets oral health Don't waste your money or risk your pets health on imitators!