What You Need to Know About Pet Cancer

Cancer is the leading cause of non-accidental death in our pets and accounts for almost 1/2 of deaths in pets over the age of ten.

Pets get cancer at the same rate as humans do.

The average cost to treat a pet with cancer can be as much as $15,000.

Early Detection of Cancer

- Swollen lymph nodes
- An enlarging or changing lump
- Abdominal distension
- Chronic weight loss
- Chronic vomiting or diarrhea
- Unexplained bleeding
- Cough
- Lameness
- Straining to urinate
- Oral odor

Although cancer is not as common in cats as it is in dogs, the cancers found in cats tend to be more aggressive.

Lymphoma is the most common form of cancer representing about 23% of all dog cancers.

DID YOU KNOW? Most of the knowledge and treatments in companion animal oncology come from the fields of human or comparative oncology, but research focusing on cancer in pets is progressing on a number of fronts.

Sources: http://www.petcancerawareness.org/facts.html

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