WHAT IS AN EMERGENCY?



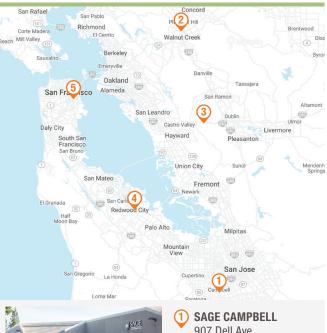
Any of the following are reasons to call or come in to see us:

- + Changes to oral gum color + Distended or bloated
- + Difficulty breathing
- Allergic reaction (hives, facial swelling, severe itching or red eyes)
- Exposure to any chemicals
- Ingestion of toxins, poisonous plants, or household medications
- Ingestion of foreign material
- Weakness/changes in alertness
- Seizures, loss of balance, and inability to walk
- Trembling or shaking
- Pain, discomfort, or lameness
- + Straining to urinate

- abdomen
 - Persistent vomiting, diarrhea, or non-productive retching
 - Difficulty delivering kittens or puppies
 - Exposure to high temperatures
 - + Bleeding
 - + Hit by car
 - + Fall from height
 - Bite wounds from other animals
 - + Broken bones
 - Behavior changes or actions that just don't feel right in your mind
- Common causes for ER visits include vomiting or diarrhea, ingestion of chemicals or toxins, and trauma, such as being hit by a car. Don't hesitate to see a vet if you suspect your pet is in distress!



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WHY SAGE IN AN EMERGENCY?

SAGE Veterinary Centers is a multi-location practice dedicated to providing the highest level of care. Our hospitals include more than 80 highlytrained veterinarians and a team of knowledgeable, compassionate support staff. Our emergency team is comprised of seasoned doctors who are dedicated to the field of emergency medicine. Most of our Emergency veterinarians have interned for an additional year after veterinary school, and several have completed three-year residencies and are board certified specialists in Emergency and Critical Care.



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Our emergency services are available 24 hours a day, <u>365 days a year</u>.

A trip to the ER can be routine or involved. Often times, problems can be solved in one visit and your pet can return home. We treat many illnesses that require routine testing and medications. With a good home care plan set in place by our team, you will be fine to leave with your pet and recheck with your primary veterinarian in a few days.

When the problem is more involved, and especially if it's life-threatening, our critical care equipment and expertise come into play. Critical care is the continuous support and monitoring of the animal's needs. Those needs can include oxygen delivery, IV fluids, blood or plasma transfusions, surgery, nutritional delivery and, of course, TLC.

URGENT CARE FOR MINOR ILLNESSES

SAGE offers same-day Urgent Care services at all of our hospitals for concerning, but not critical health issues.

Our Urgent Care department helps us reduce wait times for patients, and provides our clients with added convenience.

In human medicine, urgent care provides a convenient way for patients to be seen for problems that may not warrant a trip to the ER. SAGE's Urgent Care department fills the same need for your pet.

URGENT CARE EXAMPLES

Here are some examples of non-emergency Urgent Care appointments:

- + Coughing or sneezing + Tick removal
- Superficial cuts or wounds Ear and skin infections

+ Any signs that are troubling

to you or your pet

- + Minor vomiting or diarrhea + Irritated or red eyes
- Loss of appetite
- Trembling or shaking
- Discomfort or mild lameness

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS





What is the difference between Urgent Care and Emergency Care?

The difference between Urgent Care and the Emergency Room is the severity of the health problem. If the condition is life-threatening, go to the Emergency Room. If the condition is a minor illness or injury, take advantage of the same-day convenience of setting an appointment with our Urgent Care department.



How long will I have to wait to be seen if it is an emergency?

Upon arrival, a veterinary technician will triage your pet. The technician will assess the degree of urgency and take a brief history. They will evaluate your pet's breathing patterns and heart rhythm, and will check for obvious signs of trauma, fractures, or injuries.

The seriousness of your pet's medical condition will determine how quickly a doctor will meet with you. A patient that arrives after you may be seen first due to the nature of their condition. Our goal is to provide the best possible care and treatment for your pet as quickly as we can.

