

ABOUT US

When your pet is sick or hurt, you want the best medical care for them. At Pacific Northwest Pet ER & Specialty Center, we are here for you no matter what challenge your pet is facing.

Pacific Northwest Pet ER & Specialty Center is a specialty and emergency hospital open 24/7, 365 days a year. Located in Vancouver, WA, we strive to provide the very best client experience and exceptional patient care—all under one roof.

Our team of board-certified specialists and emergency doctors offer the highest level of specialty and emergency care with the compassion you deserve.

In veterinary medicine, the term "board-certified specialist" is used to describe a veterinarian who has completed advanced training in a particular discipline. At Pacific Northwest, it also means having a trusted partner working toward excellent care and providing emergency and specialty services when you need us most.





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CARDIOLOGY





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OVERVIEW

Heart problems are common in animals and can range from "let's keep an eye on this" to "we need to take action." The most successful way to treat pet heart disease is checking out the condition early on and working with your primary veterinarian and cardiologist for a complete diagnosis and plan of care. We provide diagnosis, treatment, and longterm management for a wide array of both congenital (from birth) and acquired heart and respiratory diseases in dogs and cats.

CARDIOLOGY DIAGNOSTICS AND TREATMENTS AVAILABLE:

- Echocardiograms
- OFA exams
- Blood pressure
- Thoracic radiographs (chest x-ray)
- Heart failure management
- ECG and 24 ECG/Holter services
- Interventional Cardiology
 - Occlusion of Patent Ductus Arteriosus (PDA)
 - Balloon valvuloplasty
 - Transvenous pacemaker
 - Epicardial pacemakers
 - Cardiac stents

UNDERSTANDING PET HEART DISEASE

Pets with heart disease, or other ailments affecting the heart and lungs, may not always have visible signs of discomfort. Others may experience difficulty breathing, coughing, fainting, or lethargy depending on the stage of illness.

TERMS YOU SHOULD KNOW

CONGENITAL

Congenital refers to developmental changes in the heart that are typically present in patients since birth. The severity of these diseases is evaluated using echocardiography, cardiac catheterization, and angiography. Several diseases, such as pulmonic stenosis and patent ductus arteriosus, may be cured or have their severity greatly reduced with interventional or minimally invasive cardiac procedures.

PERICARDIAL

Pericardial refers to changes in the sac, or pericardium, that surrounds the heart. The most common type is the formation of fluid in the pericardium. We are unique in our ability to perform many procedures using both invasive and non-invasive techniques, which helps patients avoid large incisions and long recovery times.



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