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PET DENTAL HEALTH EXAMS ARE IMPORTANT

Dental Disease Is The #1 Illness Affecting Pets

Just like humans, dental health is extremely important for dogs and cats. Maintaining healthy teeth and gums can prevent Periodontal disease, which is linked to other health problems that can affect the kidney, liver, and heart.

Signs of Trouble

If you notice any of the following signs, you should visit your veterinarian:

- Broken or Loose Teeth
- Pain/Swelling/Bleeding
- Discolored Teeth
- Tartar Buildup
- Refusal to Eat
- Bad Breath



Prevention

- Yearly Exam
- Special Diets
- Teeth Brushing
- Dental Treats/Chews
- Water Additives/Rinses/Wipes

Treatment

If your veterinarian notices any issues with your pet's teeth, they will recommend dental surgery.

Dogs and cats should have their teeth and gums examined by a veterinarian once a year. Pets that receive good dental care live 20% longer.