

C.A.N. Survey© Clinical Animal Nutrition for Dogs

A System Approach to Identifying Vitamin and Mineral Imbalances and Organ Distress

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PATIENT _____ AGE _____ Weight _____ OWNER _____ DATE _____

BREED _____ EMAIL ADDRESS/PHONE # _____

Put a number in the box in front of the symptom **only that applies** to your dog. 1 = mild, 2 = moderate, 3 = severe.

GROUP ONE - Sympathetic

	Dry mouth, eyes, nose		Vomits with excitement		Isolates away from family or pets
	Keyed up, fails to calm		Tends toward aggression		Afraid of storms, fireworks
	Nervous		Fear biter		Doesn't adapt easily to routine change
	Unable to relax, startles easily		High anxiety		Obsessive compulsive behavior
			SCORE GROUP ONE: Number marked =		Number divided by 36 = %

GROUP TWO - Parasympathetic

	Joint stiffness with rising		Subject to infections		Poor circulation, sensitive to cold
	Always seems hungry		Eyes or nose watery		Moist body, often an odor
	Couch potato-like attitude		Eats dirt		Sleeps more than used to
	Slow starter, slow mover		Constipation, diarrhea, alternating		Little interest in anything
			SCORE GROUP TWO: Number marked =		Number divided by 36 = %

GROUP THREE – Carbohydrate Metabolism, Sugar Handling

	Trembles, episodes of weakness		Urinating large amounts		Weight loss
	Seizures		Hungry often, eats fast		Behavior changes
	Disoriented at times		Change in appearance of eyes		Increased water consumption
	Increased sleeping, decreased activity		Cannot lose weight even with diet		Overweight
	Wheat, corn, rice, barley, oats in diet		Eats feces		Passes a lot of gas
			SCORE GROUP THREE: Number marked =		Number divided by 45 = %

GROUP FOUR – Circulation, Cardio-Pulmonary

	Exercise intolerance		Cough, especially at rest		Swelling in rear legs
	Significant loss of muscle mass		Seems disoriented at times		Difficulty breathing
	Fainting, collapse		Rear legs tremble, weak		Shortness of breath
	History of heartworms		Enlarged heart		Has had pneumonia more than once
			SCORE GROUP FOUR: Number marked =		Number divided by 36 = %

GROUP FIVE – Hepatic, Gall Bladder

	On meds over long time		Recent onset allergies		Stands with back arched
	Stool watery or diarrhea		Seizures, tremors		Elevated cholesterol, triglycerides
	Appears bloated		Change in appetite		Elevated liver enzymes, lipase
	Lethargic, depressed, restless		Frequent anesthetics		Itching or squinting eyes
	Increased shedding		Food sensitivities		Ocular discharge
	Red eyes or ears		Anal Sac problems, Scooting		Rubs at ears or face
	Sporadic vomit/diarrhea		Licks or chews at feet or anus		Crusty lip sores
	General itchiness		Red tummy		Gas
			SCORE GROUP FIVE: Number marked =		Number divided by 72 = %

GROUP SIX - Digestion

	Vomits after fatty meal		History of pancreatitis		Intermittent vomiting
	Halitosis		Recurrent diarrhea		Excessive or chronic eye drainage
	Pale-colored stool		Rancid odor to stool		Poor coat
	Stomach distress common		Belches, regurgitation		Recent intestinal parasites
			SCORE GROUP SIX: Number marked =		Number divided by 36 = %

LEAVE BLANK if it does not apply.

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GROUP SEVEN – A – Thyroid Glands					
	Increased shedding		Stiff gait Oily, greasy coat		Depression, mentally dull
	Thinning, sparse coat, bald spots		Weak pulse		Exercise intolerant
	Warts		Elevated blood cholesterol		Back/neck problems
	Dry, scaly skin		Fatty tumors		Increased pigment to skin
	Obese or can't lose weight		Stiff gait		Weak knee ligaments
			SCORE GROUP SEVEN A: Number marked =		Number divided by 45 = %

GROUP SEVEN – B – Pituitary Gland					
	Failing memory		Weight gain around rear end, fat pads		Abnormal heat cycles of intact females
	Abnormal thirst		Neutered male retains sexual activity		Pigment spots to skin
			SCORE GROUP SEVEN B: Number marked =		Number divided by 18 = %

GROUP SEVEN – C – Adrenal Glands, Hyperactive					
	Excessive water consumption		Panting more than used to, excessive		Muscles seem weak
	Increased urination		Lethargic		Distended abdomen
	Thin skin		Pacing		Change in behavior
	Decline in arthritic symptoms		Weak knees		Thinning fur
			SCORE GROUP SEVEN C: Number marked =		Number divided by 36 = %

GROUP SEVEN – D – Adrenal Glands, Hypoactive					
	Weakness		Slow heart		Intermittent anorexia
	Depression		Weak pulse		Collapse
			SCORE GROUP SEVEN D: Number marked =		Number divided by 18 = %

GROUP EIGHT – Musculoskeletal (Calcium / Magnesium Metabolism)					
	Older dog		Difficulty getting up and down		Losing muscle tone in legs or back
	History of any joint surgery		Arthritic, degenerative joint disease		Healing fracture in body
	Back or disc problems		Has had ligaments damaged		Suffering from a sprain or strain
	Bone spurs or enlarged joints		Rapidly accumulates tartar on teeth		Difficulty supporting weight
			SCORE GROUP EIGHT: Number marked =		Number divided by 36 = %

GROUP NINE – Renal					
	Abnormal or frequent urination		History of bladder stones		Leaking urine
	History of bladder infections		Licking at penis or vulva		Wants to go outside more often
	Reduced renal function		Cries when urinating		Prostate enlarged
	High blood calcium or phosphorus		Elevated vitamin D		14 or more years old
			SCORE GROUP NINE: Number marked =		Number divided by 36 = %

GROUP TEN – Immune					
	Increased shedding		Skin crawls		Frequent infections
	Red bumps to skin		Poor fur quality		Odor that returns shortly after bath
	Scabs, sores, or crusts to skin		Body or ear odor		Moist or heat under front/rear legs
	Dandruff, flaking		Shakes head or rubs at ears		Changed skin appearance
	Has had cancer		Experienced a vaccine reaction		Severe dental infection
			SCORE GROUP TEN: Number marked =		Number divided by 45 = %

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GROUP ELEVEN – Pain			
	Lameness, abnormal gait		Playing less
	Withdrawn, hiding		Less interested in going for a walk
	Reluctant to move		Change in mood, grumpy
	Dislike or intolerance of handling		Hunched back or sway back
	Overall activity less than normal		Groaning, moaning, grunting
	Looks depressed		Weeping, red, cloudy or squinting eyes
	Hanging or tucked tail		Heavy panting, increased heart rate
	Decreased appetite		Change in appetite & type of food willing to eat
	Recent surgery, dental infection		Licking inanimate objects (can often be a sign of intestinal pain)
SCORE GROUP ELEVEN: Number marked =		Number divided by 50 =	%

SCORE / TALLY	
Primary Group:	%
Secondary Group:	%
Tertiary Group:	%

IMPORTANT

TO THE OWNER: Please list below the five main physical and or health complaints for this dog in order of importance:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

OTHER COMMENTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE:

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