

Pawsitive Results

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When a person suffers a serious injury or is recovering from surgery, physical therapy is usually a part of healing. Now, the same advantages that result from physical therapy in people can be achieved in our animal patients. Pawsitive Results offers a wide variety of services to post-surgical patients, post-injury patients, aging pets, and canine athletes. We use a variety of techniques similar to those used in human medicine. Techniques such as therapeutic exercises, chiropractic adjustments, physiotherapy, acupuncture, therapeutic massage, cold laser, therapeutic ultrasound, neuromuscular stimulation, and massage are commonly used on our patients. Each patient receives an in depth diagnostic evaluation and exam. Then a plan is designed specifically to address the issues and problems found. By working closely with you, your pet, and your family veterinarian, we can develop a program tailored to your pet.

Pawsitive Results is owned and operated by Kathy Topham, DVM. She received her veterinary degree at North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Topham's special interest in canine sports medicine started with being a trail veterinarian for sled dog races. Dr. Topham also competes with her dogs in USDAA, AKC and CPE agility. She is certified in Canine Rehabilitation by The Animal Rehabilitation Institute, certified in Veterinary Spinal Manipulation Therapy by the Healing Oasis, certified in Cranial Sacral Techniques by the Upledger Institute and certified in Medical Acupuncture for Veterinarians by Colorado State University. She is a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association, International Sled Dog Veterinary Medical Association, American Canine Sports Medicine Association, American Association of Rehabilitation Veterinarians, American Veterinary Chiropractic Association, and the International Veterinary Acupuncture Society.

Indications for Rehabilitation Therapy

Age-related changes: hip dysplasia, spondylosis, osteoarthritis, atrophy of hind-quarters

Soft tissue injuries: those injuries resulting in gait abnormalities due to soft tissue or biomechanical abnormalities

Performance problems in canine athletes

Post-operative: orthopedic surgery or any surgical case which causes decreased use of limb or body part.

Conditioning: Owners that are interested in getting their dogs in better physical shape or lose weight

Benefits

All therapy techniques are non-invasive, safe and highly effective.

More rapid recovery from surgery or injury with less risk of complications or set backs seen in most patients.

Maximize performance potential in canine athletes.

Aging pets become more active, more comfortable, more flexible.

Increased range of motion, flexibility and muscle strength and decreased pain in patients utilizing rehabilitation therapy post operatively.

Secondary complications are addressed; the whole animal is rehabilitated, not just the affected part.



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