## **URGENT OR EMERGENCY CARE?**

## A guide for worried cat and dog owners

Care can wait. Please reach out to your primary veterinary clinic or closest urgent care

- Mild itching or scratching
- Weight changes over time
- Mild bad breath
- Overgrown nails (not embedded or bleeding)

REMEMBER: if you're worried, we're worried. Always call a professional if you are unsure about your pet's condition.

## **URGENT CARE**

Conditions that need sameday attention but aren't lifethreatening

- Sudden limping or injury/trouble walking
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea without blood
- Hot spots
- Urinary changes (though still urinating)
- Coughing without
  distress
- Ear infections
- Hiding/not feeling well
- Eye Injury
- Mouth pain/not eating
- Embedded or torn nail
- Mild pain

Avians, reptiles, and small mammals should always be seen immediately.

## **EMERGENCY CARE**

Life-threatening conditions that should be seen immediately

- Difficulty
  breathing/choking
- Excessive bleeding
- Seizures or collapse
- Suspected poisoning/toxin exposure
- Unable to urinate
- Severe pain or distress
- Allergic reaction
- Heat stroke
- Labor complications
- Overnight care

