



# Natural Help for...

# Canine Distemper



## What is Canine Distemper?

Canine distemper is a **highly contagious viral disease** that affects the gastrointestinal, respiratory and nervous systems of puppies and dogs. This virus also infects other wild animals such as foxes, raccoons, skunks, wolves, coyotes and ferrets. It is very important that you keep your dogs away from other wildlife to avoid the virus from spreading.

## What Causes Canine Distemper?

Canine distemper is **transmitted through the exposure of airborne viral particles** in the respiratory secretions of dogs and puppies. Outbreaks of canine distemper tend to be sporadic. Dogs and puppies younger than six months that have not been immunized are at an increased risk of developing this infection.

## Diagnosing Canine Distemper

The diagnosis of canine distemper is based on the symptoms, your **dog's vaccination history** and certain laboratory tests. Various tests such as blood tests, x-rays, CT scans, cerebrospinal fluid, polymerase chain reaction (PCR) and immunofluorescence assay may be performed to confirm the diagnosis of canine distemper.

## Symptoms and Signs of Canine Distemper

The symptoms and signs of canine distemper include:

- Eye discharge (initially watery and then turns pus-like)
- Nasal discharge
- Coughing
- Fever
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Loss of appetite
- Lethargy

In advanced stages, seizures, twitching, partial or complete paralysis may occur if the virus attacks the nervous system.

## Help for Canine Distemper

The best way to prevent canine distemper is ensuring that your puppy or dog

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receives the distemper vaccination. Puppies that have not been vaccinated are more prone to [viral infections](#) because their **immune systems are still weak**. Treatment usually involves addressing secondary infections, as there are no medications available to kill this particular virus.

Medications are aimed at controlling symptoms, and intravenous fluids may be administered. Once you have taken your pet home, avoid contact with other dogs, keep him warm and provide good supportive care. It is vital that **excellent hygiene is maintained** to avoid transferring the infection to other dogs.

## Natural remedies

Natural and holistic remedies have also proven to be highly beneficial in **supporting the immune, respiratory and digestive systems**. These remedies are safe and gentle to use for your pet without the harmful side effects of conventional medications.

One of the most well known herbs known as Echinacea purpurea helps to support the immune system. Homeopathic ingredients such as Distemperinum and Bryonia supports the immune, respiratory and digestive systems by keeping the chest clear, **maintaining digestive functioning** and keeping the body temperature within normal range.

## Tips to prevent canine distemper

There are several ways to [prevent canine distemper](#) and these include:

- Feed your pet high quality commercial food or an all natural diet containing essential vitamins, minerals and nutrients
- Make sure that your dog's vaccinations are updated regularly
- Avoid contact with raccoons, foxes, skunks and other potentially infected wildlife if possible
- Always provide fresh, clean water for your dog to prevent dehydration and flush out toxins
- Disinfect food and water bowls as well as sleeping areas and bedding
- Wipe away eye and nose discharge and keep these areas clean
- Limit your puppy's contact with other dogs until he has received his complete series of vaccinations – avoid places such as parks, grooming parlors and obedience classes where dogs typically congregate
- Strengthen your pet's immune system with immune-boosting supplements
- Visit your vet annually for routine check-ups

## The Natural Approach

While Western medicine has become the norm in many cultures, it is not the only treatment option. Conventional western medicine, often called allopathic medicine, is the system of medicine taught at most medical schools and most pharmaceutical and synthetic medicines are manufactured and marketed according to the principles of allopathic medicine. Allopathic medicine is also sometimes called orthodox medicine.

Because most of us in the Western world have grown up in a society in which allopathic medicine is the prevailing norm, we forget that, only a few decades ago,



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All of our natural remedies are formulated by our expert team of herbalists, naturopaths and homeopaths, and headed by Michele Carelse.

Michele has had years of experience in the manufacturing and use of natural remedies for both people and pets. In addition, she is a trained Clinical Psychologist and has been incorporating natural remedies into her treatment of patients with depression, anxiety, ADD, ADHD and stress for many years with spectacular results.

homeopathic, herbal and other natural medicines were commonly available – and freely used even by conventional doctors and veterinarians. While there are often heated debates about which system of medicine is ‘better’ than the other, many responsible doctors and vets (whether they are allopathic or not) recognize that both have a role to play in the treatment program.

Just like humans, domesticated animals like dogs and cats are affected by the health hazards of modern living. Pollution, poor nutrition, stress and unhealthy lifestyles can lead to a variety of illnesses and conditions that are very similar to those experienced by humans. In fact, many, if not most pet health concerns can be addressed by helping your pets to live a healthier lifestyle. While it has its place, conventional medicine for animals and 'modern technology' have failed our pets in many ways.

According to pet expert and author CJ Puotinen, most holistic veterinarians and animal health care professions list annual vaccinations and commercial pet foods as the major contributory cause in the rising rates of chronic illness in pets today. Similarly, Juliette de Bairacli Levy, respected author and renowned animal breeder, points out that contrary to the belief that mass vaccination and antibiotic use will contribute to a decrease in disease, the opposite has in fact proved true. Like their human counterparts, today's pets are becoming more and more vulnerable to chronic disease and ill health. This has led many veterinarians to search for alternatives and to espouse more holistic methods of keeping our pets healthy.

"In the wild, animals instinctively seek out healing herbs to help them when they are ill or undernourished. In fact, Asclepius, the ancient Greek god of medicine, respected dogs very highly for their ability to seek out and eat medicinal herbs in the wild. This ability is shared by other animals, including cats. We are coming to realize that nature often has the answers - but animals have always known this! Natural medicine can help your pet just as it can help you. While there is always a place for conventional veterinary medicine, natural medicine can compliment conventional veterinary care and in many cases do just as well. I have applied the same care and research that have gone into our Native Remedies range for adults and children to the development of pet-friendly, safe and effective natural remedies for animals. As always, all remedies are formulated to the highest therapeutic standards and manufactured under strict pharmaceutical conditions for your peace of mind and the well being of your pets. " Michele Carelse, Clinical Psychologist.

"When a veterinary surgeon practices the use of homeopathic medicine and is asked why he does so, he may give one of several answers. The simple answer would be that the results are good, an emphatic answer would be that homeopathic treatment has no unpleasant or dangerous side effects, while still achieving successful results.

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Dr. Glenn Ferguson  
M-Tech Homeopathy, Doctor of Chinese Medicine

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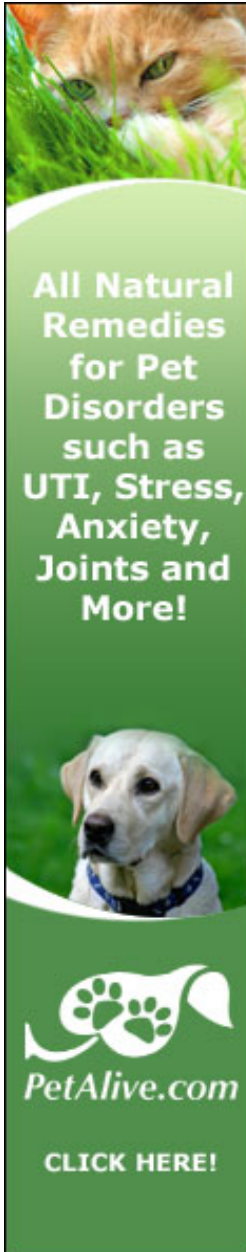
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