



Natural Help for...

Pet Heart Failure



What is Congestive Heart Failure?

Congestive heart failure is a heart condition that affects both cats and dogs of any age or breed. In congestive heart failure, the heart is unable to **pump sufficient blood through to the body** and often leads to an accumulation of fluid in the lungs, chest and abdominal cavity. Although congestive heart failure is not curable, early detection and treatment can greatly improve your pet's quality of life.

Symptoms and signs

- Shortness of breath leading to breathing difficulties
- Weakness
- Fatigue
- Abdominal distension
- Swollen, puffy legs
- Bluish discoloration on lips and mouth
- Fainting

What Causes Congestive Heart Failure?

Congestive heart failure develops as a result of hereditary factors, birth defects, heartworms, infections, a weak heart muscle (cardiomyopathy) or heart valve. Hyperthyroidism, obesity, aging, **poor nutrition or lack of exercise** can also contribute to congestive heart failure.

Diagnosing Congestive Heart Failure

The diagnosis of congestive heart failure is based on the symptoms present, thorough physical examination and review of your pet's medical history. Additional diagnostic tests such as blood tests, x-rays, **ultrasound of the chest, heartworm test, fluid analysis** and ECG (electrocardiogram) may be performed to rule out any other conditions and confirm the diagnosis of congestive heart failure.

Help for Congestive Heart Failure

Treatment for congestive heart failure involves various procedures and medications to help the heart pump more effectively. In more severe cases, **certain procedures such as tapping or thoracentesis** are performed to remove excess fluid from the chest as well as oxygen supplementation and surgery may be required.

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Medications such as diuretics, enzyme inhibitors and drugs to prevent heartworm infection will be prescribed. Your vet may also recommend a **special diet to reduce sodium** (salt) intake to control fluid retention. Although [congestive heart failure](#) cannot be cured, with proper treatment and management, your pet can continue to live a longer life.

Natural Remedies

Natural remedies such as herbal and homeopathic remedies can be on its own or as part of a broader treatment program for dogs and cats with heart problems. Herbal and homeopathic remedies are **safe and effective to use** together with prescription medications without any side effects.

Crateagus oxycantha (Hawthorne) is a well respected herb containing cardio-tonic and anti-oxidant properties that support **artery health and strength**. Carefully selected homeopathic ingredients such as Arnica montana, Kalium phosphate, and Calcium fluoride **supports healthy blood pressure** within the normal range and is excellent for the heart, circulatory and nervous systems.

Tips to promote a healthy heart in pets

There are a number of things that you can do to support heart health in your pet and these include:

- Feed your pet high quality commercial food or all an natural diet that contains the essential vitamins, minerals and nutrients
- Encourage moderate exercise and make sure that you do not over-exercise your pet
- Maintain a healthy weight in your pet – overweight and obese cats and dogs are more at risk of heart disease
- Always provide fresh, clean water
- Incorporate an immune booster to your pet's treatment plan to boost their immune system
- Make sure that your pet is treated for heartworm infection
- Visit your vet regularly for routine check ups
- Reduce stress and anxiety in your pet

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, 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.



Michele Carelse, Clinical Psychologist



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.

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.

The [PetAlive Homeopathic range](#) has been formulated with this knowledge and is specifically designed to treat your pet in a holistic and natural manner."

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

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