



# Natural Help for...



## Pet Seizures

### What is a Seizure?

Seizures are a neurological disorder caused by **abnormal electrical disturbances in the brain**. They affect both dogs and cats and can be extremely frightening for pet owners. When a [seizure](#) occurs, neurons (nerve cells) in the brain send and receive electrical impulses in the body which interferes with the normal brain processes.

This will result in your pet experiencing loss of muscle control, confusion, and disorientation, paddling with their feet, salivating, urinating or defecating themselves. [Seizures](#) can last for few minutes to having a few episodes that occurs in 24 hours.

As soon as you notice any symptoms associated with [seizures](#) or odd behavioral changes, consult your vet immediately. If **seizure attacks are treated early**, they can be managed and your pet can continue to enjoy good health and quality of life.

### Types of epilepsy

There are different [types of seizures](#) and they may be classified into either generalized or partial episodes. They vary in levels of intensity, are less dramatic and often go unnoticed.

*Generalized seizures* are divided into two main types and these include grand mal (tonic clonic) and petit mal (absence seizures). Grand mal [seizures](#) are the **most common type** and characterized by a contraction of the skeletal muscles which causes the animal to fall to his side with his legs moving uncontrollably – paddling or swimming or clamping his jaw. During this phase, the animal will salivate or drool excessively, urinate involuntarily, experience loss of bowel movement and is completely unaware of what is happening.

*Partial Seizures* **only affect ones side of the body** or spreads to other parts of the body. These are often caused by a brain lesion and characterized by repeated twitching movements.

### The most common symptoms during epilepsy are:

- Repetitive jerking, paddling and twitching body movements
- Loss of consciousness
- Vomiting and increased salivating
- Loss of bladder and bowel control

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# What causes a Seizure?

[Seizures](#) may occur as a result of many conditions and factors and these include:

- Hereditary
- Congenital defects
- Hypoglycemia
- Heart problems
- Anemia
- Liver disease
- Renal failure
- Brain abscess or tumor
- Head trauma
- Infections
- Fungal disease
- Viral or inflammatory disorders
- Cysts
- Severe worm infestation
- Encephalitis
- Rabies
- Vitamin deficiencies
- Cancer
- Toxoplasmosis
- Metabolic disorders
- Poisoning
- Certain medications
- Toxins such as fertilizers, pesticides, arsenic, chocolate and strychnine

## Diagnosing a Seizure

The [diagnoses of seizures](#) are based on the pet's symptoms, thorough **physical and neurological examination** as a detailed review of the medical history. A number of tests which include x-rays, blood tests, CAT scan, MRI, EEG or a spinal tap are performed. In addition certain tests may also be performed to rule out other illnesses that may be the cause of [seizures](#).

## Help for Seizure

The aim of treatment is to **reduce the frequency, duration and severity** of [seizures](#). Your vet will most likely prescribe oral anti-convulsive medications such as Phenobarbital, Diazepam and Potassium Bromide that must be administered daily. In cases where [seizures](#) are prolonged, injectable drugs may be administered intravenously.

Keep in mind that these drugs cannot be discontinued or skipped without the supervision of your vet. It is also recommended that you **keep a journal of your pet's seizure activity** and monitor his behavior closely. Many of these drugs may eventually cause damage to the liver and regular liver tests may be useful.

## Natural Remedies

Herbal and homeopathic remedies are a gentle, safe yet effective natural



### 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.

alternative to reduce the symptoms of epilepsy and [seizure](#) disorders. Carefully selected herbs such as Passiflora incarnata (Passionflower) and Scutellaria laterifolia (Skullcap) help to support and **maintain the natural equilibrium of the nervous system**. Homeopathic ingredients such as Hyoscyamus, Belladonna and Cuprum metallicum helps to maintain stability and balance of the nervous system for cats and dogs.

## **There are a number of things that can be done to reduce epilepsy attacks and these include:**

- Feed your pet high quality commercial food or a well balanced all natural diet free of additives, preservatives and colorants.
- Make sure that your pet exercises daily for at least an hour but avoid over exercising your pet
- Stay calm and confident when your pet experiences a seizure
- Monitor the length of time that the seizure is occurring – if it lasts for more than five minutes or three seizures occur in one day, this is an emergency and you need to get your pet to the vet immediately
- If your pet has a seizure, stay away from his mouth as you may get bitten
- During a seizure, ensure that your pet feels safe and comfortable and will not be able to harm himself in any way
- During a seizure make sure that the room is quiet, dark and cool– turn off the lights, TV or music and speak reassuringly
- Keep sharp objects out of your pet's way and take care that he will not fall off stairs or furniture – move him to a safer area so that he does not harm himself in any way
- Incorporate vitamin supplements as part of your pet's daily diet

## **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.

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

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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

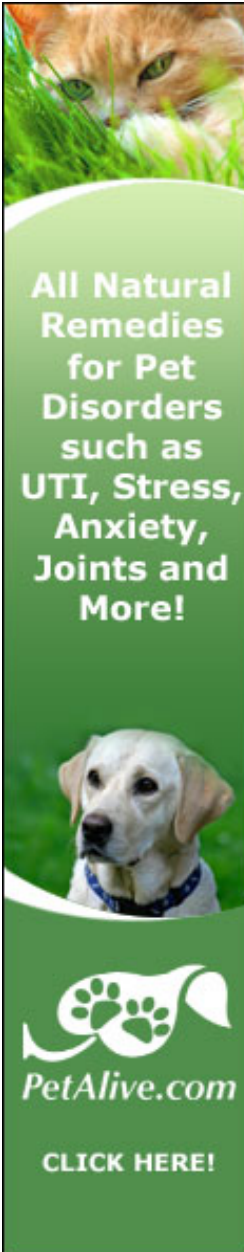
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4) Manufacturing is done strictly according to the principles of GMP (Good Manufacturing Practice) and all raw ingredients undergo stringent testing before being approved by our registered manufacturing pharmacists.

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