

# MedicalEmergencies



24/7 Pet Poison Helpline: 855-764-7661

The Rescue Crew Emergency Line: 763-498-7585

Animal Emergency & Referral Service https://aercmn.com

Affiliated Emergency Veterinary Service: bluepearlyet.com

## **Emergencies.**

- Lost foster pet
- · Severe bite that breaks skin
- Severe lethargy or nonresponsive
- Unable to stand
- Not breathing or labored breathing
- Unconsciousness or unable to wake up
- Severe laceration/wound; profuse bleeding that doesn't stop with pressure
- Seizures
- Poison/toxic plant or substance ingestion

- · Cold to the touch
- Kittens/puppies under 6-weeks losing weight, not eating or having severe diarrhea
- Broken bone(s)/sudden swelling
- Vomiting blood or repeated attempts to vomit but can't
- Trauma; hit by a car, dropped or stepped on
- Symptoms of parvovirus in dogs: bloody diarrhea, vomiting, weakness, high fever (above 103.5 degrees)

### WHAT TO DO IN AN EMERGENCY.

If your foster animal displays any of these symptoms, please call your Vetting Coordinator immediately. If you are unable to reach them, call your Crew Member Coordinator. Finally, if no contact has been made, call The Rescue Crew 24/7 Emergency Line shown above.

In critical situations like this, if you are unable to contact anyone with The Rescue Crew, you are authorized to take the animal to an emergency clinic and we will reimburse you for any out of pocket expenses if the clinic is unable or unwilling to bill us directly.

If the animal is vomiting or has diarrhea, but is still active, eating and drinking, it is typically safe to wait until the next day for assistance.



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## Urgent.

- Severe / leaking diarrhea (for pets over 6-weeks old)
- Vomiting multiple times / not eating for more than 24 hours
- Limping
- Minor injury with minimal bleeding
- Male cats: screaming while trying to urinate or not producing urine

### WHAT TO DO IN THESE URGENT SITUATIONS.

Email or text your Vetting Coordinator. If emailing, please also copy your Crew Member Coordinator. You should expect a response the same day if before 6pm, or the next day if after 6pm.



## Less Urgent.

- Congestion
- Weepy/swollen eye(s)
- Nasal discharge
- Coughing
- Hair loss or skin lesions
- Diarrhea

- · Bloody stool
- "Happy Tail"
- Fleas / ticks
- Intestinal parasites (worms)
- Vomiting 1-2 times
- Cats urinating outside of litterbox

### WHAT TO DO IN THESE LESS URGENT SITUATIONS.

Text or email your Vetting Coordinator. If emailing, please also copy your Crew Member Coordinator. You should expect a response within 24-48 hours.

