

Prince Frederick Animal Hospital

Dental Care Center

Dental disease is a significant problem amongst our aging pet population. Dental health is often overlooked, even though dental diseases can lead to a multitude of problems for your pet. Bad breath, pain from loose teeth and infection from rotten teeth are a few of the problems associated with dental disease. Research has shown that dental disease can erode up to 2 years of good health and quality of life for your pet!

Here at Prince Frederick Animal Hospital we recommend comprehensive dental care to preserve the dental health of your pet. Our recommendations are as follows:

Tooth brushing three times a week. Most small pets do better with a fingerbrush, while bigger pets will tolerate the toothbrush better. Pet toothpaste is required, as human toothpaste contains too much fluoride.

Greenie Treats are a tasty treat that help clean the teeth. Greenies have a special texture that cleans the teeth as they are chewed. We recommend giving a Greenie Treat three times a week or up to once a day.

CET chew treats are coated with an enzyme that cleans the teeth as they are chewed. We recommend a CET chew 1-2 times per week.

CET oral hygiene rinse is useful for pets that won't tolerate brushing or don't like the treats listed above. The rinse is squirted in the mouth after eating, which coats the teeth with the enzymatic cleaner.

Dental Health Diets are available for dogs and cats. These diets are dry only; the kibble is coated with a crystal that cleans the teeth as your pet chews. We carry this diet in stock if you are interested.

And finally, your veterinarian may recommend a professional dental cleaning every 6-12 months. This day procedure involves anesthesia, a dental scaling and a dental rinse. Your veterinarian will guide you if this is recommended.