10 TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL TRIP TO THE VETERINARIAN

YOUR VETERINARY HOSPITAL CAN ASSIST YOU IN PREPARING FOR YOUR PET’S VETERINARY VISITS. HERE ARE SOME HELPFUL TIPS.

1. Put your dog on a leash and your cat in a carrier to avoid encounters with other animals in the waiting room
2. If you’ve made an appointment for one pet, bring just one pet with you
3. Develop a routine by giving your pet periodic check-ups at home. This will help your pet get used to being handled at the veterinarian
4. Bring your pet’s health records or have them transferred ahead of time if you’re visiting a new vet
5. Consult your veterinary hospital about feeding your pet before a veterinary visit. Some animals experience motion sickness, and sometimes feeding your pet prior to the appointment may delay needed care
6. Bring a list of foods, special diets, treats and medications, along with details on how often the medications are given. If in doubt, bring the medications with you
7. Discuss any change in your pet’s water-drinking habits, appetite, playfulness, energy level, or other behaviors, as well as vomiting or diarrhea
8. Request an estimate, especially if your pet has a major health issue
9. Ask questions. Request handouts, brochures, or online information sources if you want to know more
10. Don’t be shy about sharing your observations and concerns—no-one knows your pet better than you do

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