

In a true emergency, do not wait to reach someone from our staff. Please immediately take your pet to an emergency facility / veterinarian equipped to handle the care of your pet.

MEDICAL EMERGENCY - REFERRAL

What are some common conditions/signs that require emergency care?

- Trauma, including injuries caused by a car, bite, bullet, knife, fall or burn
- Trouble or difficulty breathing
- Shock (signs can include weakness, pale mucous membranes or gums in pet's mouth, cold extremities and an abnormal heart rate)
- Trouble or difficulty urinating or defecating
- Neurologic disease such as seizures, difficulty or inability to walk, collapse or lack of responsiveness
- Poison or toxic liquid/substance ingestion
- Abnormal or extended recovery from recent anesthesia or a surgical procedure
- Swollen or distended abdomen
- · Vomiting or diarrhea
- · Allergic reaction, such as hives or swelling
- Dystocia (difficulty or trouble giving birth
- Snake bite

What should I do if I think my pet is having an emergency or urgent condition?

- You'll want to get your pet to the vet or emergency care center right away
- If during normal hours, you may be able to take your pet to your regular veterinarian (ask them in advance if they handle emergency services and trauma). Otherwise, please refer to the emergency centers listed below that are open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.
- Stay calm panicking is not going to help you or your pet
- Handle your pet carefully; scared or injured pets can sometimes be aggressive
- If possible, call the care provider and inform them that you are on the way
- Drive carefully, adhere to speed limits, and follow all traffic laws!

LOCAL ANIMAL EMERGENCY CLINIC

Animal Emergency Clinic 393 Woods Lake Road Greenville, SC 29607 864-232-1878

First and foremost, we recommend that all pet owners consult with their veterinarian. The information contained herein is meant to be a resource. It is not exhaustive, nor does it indicate an endorsement or recommendation from Greenville County Animal Care.

Please use your own due diligence in researching these sources and making the best choice for your pet(s).

