

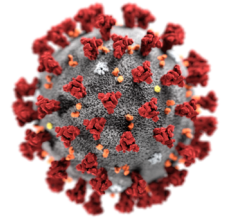
COVID-19 & PETS



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COVID-19 IN PETS

-  Animals can be infected with the virus that causes COVID-19.
-  Based on limited data there is no evidence that animals can spread the virus to people, but it does appear that people infected with COVID-19 can spread the virus to animals.



PROTECTING YOUR PET

-  Always wash your hands before and after caring for pets.
-  Keep cats indoors and do not let them roam freely outdoors.
-  Limit interactions between your pet and other people or animals outside of the household (i.e. dog parks, groomers, daycare, and other public places).



IF YOU GET SICK WITH COVID-19

-  Have a healthy household member care for pets if possible.
-  If you must care for pets while sick, be sure to wear a mask and wash your hands before and after interacting with them.
-  Avoid contact with pets such as petting, being kissed or licked, sharing food, and sleeping in same bed.



IF YOUR PET GETS SICK WITH COVID-19

-  Contact your veterinarian and let them know if the pet is showing signs of illness or has been exposed to a person with COVID-19.
-  Infected pets may or may not show symptoms of illness.
-  Symptoms include fever, coughing, lethargy, sneezing, nose or eye discharge, difficulty breathing, shortness of breath, vomiting or diarrhea.
-  Pets with a confirmed case of COVID-19 should be isolated in the home until a veterinarian or public health official has determined that they can be around other pets and people.

