

Aspiration Pneumonia

Information about Aspiration Pneumonia

Signs of Aspiration pneumonia are an increased respiratory rate, nasal discharge, abnormal breathing noises and difficulty breathing.

Aspiration pneumonia occurs when a material or fluid is inhaled into the lungs instead of being coughed out or swallowed.

The irritant material reaches the alveoli (small air sacs in the lungs) and causes inflammation (due to irritation) and there is a risk of bacterial infection. Antibiotics will be used to treat the bacteria in the lungs.

If you're concerned your pet has Aspiration pneumonia or has serious vomiting and diarrhoea please seek veterinary attention early. Our team of amazing veterinarians are available 24/7 for any emergencies when your vet is not available. Feel free to call us if you aren't sure you should see a veterinarian or not, and our team can assist you.



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