



EAR INFECTIONS (CHRONIC OTITIS)

MEDICAL DISCLOSURE FOR EAR INFECTIONS (CHRONIC OTITIS)

This pet suffers from chronic ear infections that will require continued care. Most infections are treated with a combination of ear cleanings and ear medications. Many chronic infections have an underlying cause, such as conformation of the ears (floppy ear flaps or narrow ear canals) or allergies. The recurrence of ear infections may improve with treatment of an underlying cause if one is found, such as with diet changes or allergy medications. Some cases require special testing to determine the appropriate medication if the ear is not responding to treatment. Ear infections are painful and should not be left untreated. In severe chronic cases, after all alternatives have been exhausted, surgery may be required. All follow-up care will need to be done at the owner's veterinarian and at the owner's expense.