



HYPOTHYROIDISM

MEDICAL DISCLOSURE FOR HYPOTHYROIDISM

The pet has been diagnosed with hypothyroidism, which is a condition in which the body does not produce enough thyroid hormone. This can lead to decreased metabolism, poor or thinning hair coat, dry skin, lack of energy, weight gain, and other symptoms. This condition can be controlled with lifelong daily medication to keep the thyroid levels in normal range. Most veterinarians will require a thyroid test one to two times a year to make sure the medications are prescribed at the appropriate dose and the thyroid hormone is within therapeutic levels. All follow-up care will need to be done at the owner's veterinarian and at the owner's expense.