



KINGS SPCA

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VETERINARY CARE POLICY

1. Kings SPCA primary care provider is Hanford Veterinary Hospital (HVH). Authorization to use another vet must come from the President of the Board, or the Vice President when the President is unavailable.
2. All veterinary care “appointments” will be conducted by the Operations Manager or Kennel Attendant if directed, regardless of status of the animal, unless specifically authorized by the Operations Manager. This includes:
 - a. Animals in shelter residence
 - b. Animals in foster homes*
 - c. New intake’s requiring immediate care.
**Emergencies while in foster care will meet the Operations Manager at the vet.*
3. Steps to Veterinary Care:
 - a. When an animal is identified as in need of veterinary care, regardless of their location, the Operations Manager shall be contacted.
 - b. The Operations Manager will decide if the need is routine or emergent.
 - c. The Operations Manager will identify the time in which the animal will be taken to the vet (within 24 hours during the week, 48 on the weekend).
 - d. A kennel card will be printed with all identifying information, including a picture, from PetPoint.
 - e. Medical information regarding the issue will be recorded per the prescribed method according to HVH.
 - f. The Operations Manager will take animal(s) to vet and drop off per HVH protocol.
 - g. The Operations Manager will pick up said animal(s) once contacted by HVH.
4. After Hours emergencies require HVH to be contacted prior to dispatch for care. Should HVH not be available after hours, the authorized emergency vet is Tulare-Kings Emergency Vet in Visalia as secondary or 24/7 PetVets in Fresno as tertiary. Should a true emergency arise and the Operations Manager is not available by phone call, within fifteen-minutes, you should call the Kings SPCA Emergency line and gain approval from a board of director.
5. If any board member, staff member, key volunteer, or foster parent take an animal for care without authorization or outside of this policy, they assume responsibility for payment and will not be reimbursed by Kings SPCA.
6. Spay/Neuters will be conducted by CCSPCA in Fresno.
7. Major procedures with cost estimated to exceed \$500, outside of emergencies, will require approval from the Board of Directors and may be directed to another vet for care. Emergency care and procedures must be approved by the President of the Board or the Vice President in their absence.