# DOES YOUR PET HAVE A MURMUR?

As in humans, heart disease is common in our companion animals. We often detect heart disease by hearing a murmur on your pet's annual exam. A murmur is an audible sound indicating potentially abnormal blood flow within the heart. The murmur is assessed by its location and loudness. However, a softer or louder murmur does not always correlate with disease severity. In fact, some cardiac diseases are not associated with a murmur at all and we rely on radiographs/x-rays, bloodwork, or signs at home to help us detect them.

Once your primary vet has concern for underlying heart disease, the same advanced diagnostics used in human medicine can be utilized in our companion animals.



To schedule a consultation, speak with your primary veterinary team.

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### AllHearts

Mobile Cardiology Consulting Service



# CARDIAC DIAGNSOTICS/TESTS?

Echocardiogram is an ultrasound of the heart; assessing the structure and function. Echocardiogram allows for visualization of the murmur originally heard on physical exam or diagnosis of more silent forms of heart disease such as Dilated Cardiomyopathy. We also can perform ECG and Holter monitoring for abnormalities in the heart rate/regularity.

These diagnostics allows for a definitive diagnosis; leading to more specific medical (or surgical) recommendations to be made, depending on the findings.



#### **WHAT WE PROVIDE**

- **Echocardiogram**
- Electrocardiogram (ECG)
- **Holter Monitor**
- **♣** Blood Pressure
- OFA Heart Certifications

#### **WHAT TO EXPECT**

AllHearts is a consulting service that works with your veterinarian to provide the best care.

## WHAT IS A VET CARDIOLOGIST?

As in human medicine, doctors of veterinary medicine can expand their knowledge and specialize in specific aspects of health. A veterinary Cardiologist is a veterinarian that has undergone a minimal of 4 additional years of training via internship and residency.

AllHearts is a team of veterinary professionals that have extensive training and experience in veterinary Cardiology. Dr. Brittany Stewart, the owner of AllHearts, is board certified by the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine (ACVIM) in Cardiology.

We travel to your pet's primary clinic and collect all of the cardiac diagnostics needed to make a full assessment. Dr. Brittany Stewart then creates a treatment plan to best meet your pet's needs. This may include advising on medications, monitoring, and/or an anesthetic protocol to maximize safety for an upcoming surgery. AllHearts works behind the scenes, consulting and collaborating with your veterinarian. This allows for your veterinarian to remain the primary caregiver.