

5 MYTHS ABOUT DOG AND CAT ORAL INFECTIONS

Cleaning my pets teeth regularly is the best way to keep his mouth healthy



Cleaning alone has little to no benefit. Dental x-rays are the #1 way to determine bone destruction and infection

My pet could not have an oral infection because he's happy, he eats, still goes on his walks and he plays with his toys.



Most patients presented for dental cleaning have no signs of discomfort. Jaw chattering when tissue is touched while cleaning under light sedation will produce a pain response. Attitude changes are often dramatic after infection and pain are gone and most of the time we never know they are present.

My pet's appetite is fine, there is nothing wrong with her mouth.



Dogs and cats will continue to eat normally despite pain from bone and periodontal infection until it gets excruciating.

Jaw infection would be obvious, besides the vet would be able to tell when the teeth are cleaned



Evaluation with instruments can determine abnormal tissue, however dental x-rays are the only accurate method of discovering oral infection.

That is normal doggie breath she has always had that.



Periodontal bacteria only produce detectable odor when infection is already established. Anything mildly offensive is evidence of infection.

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