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Options for Pain Management in Dogs

with Amy Watson

Webinar Outline

The aim of this webinar is to demonstrate and discuss pain in the small animal veterinary world, and the wide array of treatment options for pain management. It is often the case that manual therapists see patients more regularly than the vet, and so having an understanding of these options facilitates the therapist in communicating with the owner, and helps ensure owners are open to returning to their vet to discuss pain management options, as appropriate. We will mainly look at drugs but, if there is time, we will touch on other modalities.

Learning Outcomes

- Understand the different ways that pain can be scored and the benefits of scoring a patient's pain
- Be aware of different treatment modalities that can be used within the veterinary world
- Understand what side effects may be seen with these treatment modalities
- Understand chronic pain, hyperalgesia and allodynia and why treating earlier is better
- Feel comfortable discussing with clients what options might be suggested for their dog and why it's worth going back to their vet if they are concerned.

Speaker

Amy has been fascinated by animals for as long as she can remember; at the age of six her school teachers set her homework at weekends to write stories that didn't include animals - because every story she wrote was based upon them!

Amy graduated from Cambridge in 2005 with a masters in pathology and a degree in veterinary medicine. She started working in a large veterinary hospital in Wiltshire on the small animal team, where she stayed for nearly eight years. In 2012, 2020 and 2022, Amy was nominated for PetPlan Vet of the Year. In 2013 she took the ABVA foundation course in acupuncture - and from there she was hooked! Amy has successfully treated numerous patients with acupuncture over the years. Despite impressive results, Amy wanted to deepen her knowledge of acupuncture to elicit the best outcome for her patients. She therefore spent over a year travelling to the Netherlands for further training and completed her international acupuncture certificate with IVAS in July 2017.

Amy is also a Certified Canine Rehabilitation Therapist (CCRT) and has spent time in Belgium, working with Ellen Maartens, a top rehabilitation therapist who specialises in neurological rehabilitation.

Ever one for a challenge, and with an ongoing passion for learning and expanding her treatment options for patients, Amy decided to learn about herbal medicine. She now holds an advanced certificate in chinese herbal medicine through the College of Integrative Veterinary Therapy (CIVT) - the only person in the UK with this level of qualification - and is currently embarking on her graduate diploma in veterinary chinese herbal medicine. She is a member and on the committee of the British Association of Veterinary Herbalists (BAVH).



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Chair:
Amy Tappenden MRCC, LRCC
(Animal)

Amy currently has her own clinic in Dorset, treating a variety of conditions with a combination of acupuncture, herbs, laser therapy and manual therapies. This is done very much alongside the patient's conventional vet.