Could Your Pet Have Diabetes?

Just like humans, dogs and cats can have diabetes. As a pet owner, you will likely be the first to spot the signs of diabetes in your pet.

**SIGNS OF DIABETES**¹

**Fatigue or Weakness**
- Sleeping more than usual
- Acting sluggish or less playful
- Appearing sick or not feeling well
- Poor body or coat condition

**Excessive Thirst**
- Drinking water out of the faucet or toilet
- You have been filling the water bowl more than usual

**Frequent Urination**
- Asking to go out more
- Having accidents in the house
- You are changing the litter box more than usual

**Increased Hunger**
- Eating more but has not gained weight

**Sudden weight loss**

If your pet is showing any of these signs, contact your veterinarian about a diabetes screening immediately.
# DIABETES RISK FACTORS

Certain risk factors increase the chances of a pet getting diabetes. If your pet has one or more of these risk factors, consult your veterinarian about a diabetes screening.

## Risk Factors in Dogs:
- Middle to Older age
- Unspayed female

## Breeds with genetic predisposition for diabetes:
- Australian Terrier
- Bichon Frise
- Cairn Terrier
- Fox Terrier
- Keeshond
- Lhasa Apso
- Miniature Poodle
- Miniature Schnauzer
- Samoyed
- Spitz
- Toy Poodle
- Yorkshire Terrier

## Risk Factors in Cats:
- Older age
- Neutered male
- Obesity
- Indoor lifestyle or physical inactivity

## Breed with genetic predisposition for diabetes:
- Burmese

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