

DOES YOUR PET NEED CHIROPRACTIC CARE?

Chiropractors are trained to locate and correct subluxations. However, owners can also check to see if their pets have problems with the spinal column.

General Appearance and Posture

Look at your pet while they are sitting, standing and lying down.

- | YES | NO | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Does your pet look comfortable? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do they stand with even weight on all legs? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Looking down from the top, is their back straight from ears to tail? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Is their head straight (no tilt or rotation)? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Looking from the side, is their back straight with no hump or sway? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do they sit square (not off to the side)? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do they always lie on both sides comfortably? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do they hold their tail straight (not to one side)? |

Palpation

Feel all over your pet's body.

- | YES | NO | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do they feel relaxed and at ease throughout the procedure? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are there no signs of pain when you touch them all over? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Does your pet like to be petted or scratched all over? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Is your pet free from unusual bumps? |

Gait and Performance

Watch your pet walking, trotting and running.

- | YES | NO | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are your pet's gaits even and free in movement? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Does your pet move smoothly without a head bob due to pain? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are they lifting their paws all the way off the ground? |

Range of Motion

Your pet should move freely in all ranges of motion with no tension.

- | YES | NO | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Can your pet bend its head to touch their belly? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Does each leg move freely frontwards, backwards, and side to side? |

If you answered "No" to any of these questions, your pet may need chiropractic care.

To determine whether chiropractic care is appropriate for your pet, please call the office at 519-746-3838 to book an initial visit with Dr. Heick.