

The Dog Cancer Reports

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Lesson #1 - Don't Panic...

Please Note: This Lesson #1 may look familiar to you -- it's been reprinted on several websites about dog cancer care. We're including it here -- not only because it's important information that can help you care for your dog -- but because many members haven't had a chance to read it yet.

If this is a repeat for you, then we apologize, and promise to share new reports and information with you from here on out. And if this information is new, then we hope you find it useful and valuable as you begin to care for your dog.

Either way, we hope you'll follow the main message of this report -- which is to "Move Quickly..., but Don't Panic" as you start to care for your dog.

The full report follows below. We hope it helps...

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"<u>Don't Panic...</u>"

There's a natural tendency when you first learn your dog has cancer. And that's to panic! I know. Because when my dog Marty was diagnosed with cancer, I did too - at first...

As I mentioned before, discovering that your dog has cancer can be one of the saddest and scariest things that will happen in your life.

You've probably known for a while that something was wrong but now your worst fears have been confirmed.

And it can feel as if someone has turned on a countdown timer for your dog's life. And you worry that time is running out. When I first learned about Marty's cancer I was sad...

...and desperate...

...and angry... - very angry. At myself, somewhat, for having missed the signs of his sickness and for failing to protect him from this terrible disease. And at the world, for inflicting this horror on one of the sweetest, most innocent, creatures I'd ever known.

It's Natural to Feel This Way

I believed, in my heart of hearts, that there had to be something I could do to help - There just had to be !!! - But I had no idea what it might be...

And I assumed that I had to do something FAST - like "right now" fast. Because time was ticking, and every minute wasted was another minute that the cancer was attacking his sweet baby boy...

Now I'm here to tell you - "Yes!" - you do have to take action and get started quickly, for the sake of your dog, but first...

Take a Deep Breath...

After Marty got sick, I dedicated myself to learning as much as I could about dog cancer care. And to sharing my experience with other dog owners, so they could learn from my experience caring for Marty - and from the 1000s of hours I've spent researching, writing, interviewing and working with veterinarians and other experts about dog cancer care...

One important concept I like to share with people facing this terrible disease is that -

"for the most part, there's nothing you can do in the next 12 to 24 hours that will make a big difference (one way or another) in your dog's overall cancer battle..."

"But what you do in the next 12 to 24 DAYS can make a HUGE difference between whether your dog goes quickly - or if you get to really fight this cancer and help keep your dog around for as long as possible." For better or worse, it's true - it's just common sense.

If your dog is still healthy and strong enough to fight this battle - then he should have the same strength and energy to fight it if you get started tomorrow...

But if the cancer has progressed too far already, then unfortunately, its unlikely that anything you can do today will change that either.

No. It generally doesn't matter what you do in the next 12 - 24 hours...

(There's one exception to this - and that's if your dog's really struggling and close to the end... In that case, you may not have 12 days to turn this around - you may need a "miracle" right away... If that's your dog cancer situation, then click on this link to learn about "last minute" dog cancer treatments that may be able to help.)

You Need to Take Action - Yes. But First, Gather Information (and Make a Plan)...

Right now, you need to take a deep breath, and start gathering all the dog cancer information you can - to make sure you make the right choices and take the right actions - so you can prepare yourself for this dog cancer battle over these next 12 to 24 days (and beyond).

That's where we can help...

We've put together this website and free Dog Cancer reports to share some straightforward, common-sense information, that can help you make sense of what's going on with your dog, and help you decide what you can do to help.

And we'd like to share it with you...

We hope this helps...

Lesson #2 - Creating the Proper Environment to Heal...

We live in a chemical world.

Our environment is filled with chemicals that we use every day. Pesticides for the lawn, ammonia and chlorine for cleaning around the house, chemicals in our foods...

The list goes on and on.

All of these can be helpful in some areas of life, but they're DREADFUL for your dog fighting cancer.

These chemicals tend to be toxic to the body and can be a threat to the health of dogs (and people).

Now healthy dogs can generally handle these stresses - their immune system is strong and just eliminates any threat that may be posed by these chemicals.

But when a dog is battling cancer, his immune system needs to be focused on just one thing if he's going to have a chance for success - and that's the cancer itself.

Any outside chemicals or pesticide poisons will force your dog's body to shift focus away from the cancer, and on to combating the poisons that attack his system. Your dog simply doesn't have the strength to fight both battles; so when chemicals attack your dog's immune system, the cancer wins.

That's why, in order to give your dog a fighting chance, these chemicals need to disappear from his environment fast.

As soon as my dog Marty was diagnosed with cancer, I acted quickly to clean up his environment as much as possible.

I threw away all "chemical" cleaners, laundry detergents, etc. (almost every cleaning product in my closet), and replaced them all with natural "non-toxic" alternatives I found at my local health food store (many of these alternatives are surprisingly effective). I eliminated all pesticides and chemicals from my garden and switched over to "environmentally friendly" alternatives.

I even started shopping at health food stores for "organic" foods to feed Marty - to eliminate the pesticides and other chemicals found in most of our meat and produce.

That's what I did, and what Dr. Ulbrich and virtually every holistic vet recommends for his patients fighting dog cancer.

While these health conscious alternatives may cost a bit more, we think they're worth the extra expense if they can help our dogs heal.

And here's another important tip you'll learn as you do your cancer research...

Virtually every vet agrees that vaccinations of any sort - and flea remedies such as "Frontline" or "Advantage" and other pet products that introduce low grade pesticides into your dog's system - are DREADFUL for dogs fighting cancer.

One vet (Dr. Richard H. Pitcairn, in his book, "The Complete Guide to Natural Health for Dogs & Cats") even described vaccinating your cancer fighting dog as similar to "pouring gasoline on the fire" for the cancer.

For this reason, most states allow you to obtain an official exemption from laws requiring you to vaccinate your cancer fighting pet.

If your dog has cancer, ask your vet for help to obtain one of these official vaccination exemptions.

We hope this helps...

Lesson #3 - The Importance of Proper Dog Cancer Nutrition...

When our dogs battle cancer, it's our job to give them as many tools as possible to help them with the fight.

And nutrition is a key element to this battle.

Most dog nutrition experts believe that dog cancer grows and feeds off of carbohydrates (which are found in most grains and fillers), but CANNOT feed off proteins and fats (found primarily in meat).

For that reason, vets generally recommend that cancer fighting dogs get a diet that's extremely high in protein and fat (about 95%), and extremely low in carbs (about 5%).

Unfortunately, most of the dog foods on the market - especially the ones you find in your local supermarket or large chain pet store - are packed with grains and fillers (carbs), and have only limited amounts of the meat protein your dog critically needs to fight this battle.

Many nutrition experts argue that these low end brands (and even some of the so-called "premium" brands out there) can be of limited nutritional value for a healthy dog - but for dogs battling cancer they can be downright terrible, and can actually help speed the cancer's growth.

There are many options available to get your dog the proper mix he needs to maximize his cancer fighting ability.

The Raw Meat Diet - and other high protein dog food options...

One option that comes highly recommended by many dog cancer vets and experts is actually a "raw meat diet," which, in addition to giving your dog the right protein/carb mix he needs, also supplies a lot of additional nutrients that boost energy and promote immune system support. (I includes Dr. Ulbrich's complete recipe for this cancer fighting raw meat diet as one of the 14 bonuses included full paid membership to this website.)

However, there are also many other (non-raw) options that are easy, inexpensive, and excellent alternatives for your cancer fighting dog. (In my book, I also discuss several excellent "holistic" dog food alternatives that are specially tailored to give dogs the nutrition they need at this critical time in their lives.)

But no matter what option you choose, if your dog is currently eating a dog food that's filled with carbs and fillers (just look at the ingredients to see how far down the line "meat" is listed), then it's critical to move him over to a high protein, low carb (meat based) diet if you want to give him the best possible chance to heal.

We hope this helps...

Lesson #4 - Natural Alternatives to Conventional Dog Cancer Care...

When my dog Marty was first diagnosed with cancer, his original vet recommended we start Marty on traditional radiation treatments right away.

Daily doses of radiation that would shrink the tumor and make Marty feel better - for a while at least.

Because after the first set of treatments, there'd be little more the vets could do (you can't keep a dog on radiation forever, after all), and soon the cancer would grow back and take over again.

And then, after about six months, Marty would be dead.

I asked if there was any chance that Marty might live longer after these radiation treatments, but his vet said "no, it's too late" - the cancer had advanced too far.

After some serious thought and investigation, I decided NOT to put Marty through these radiation treatments - and instead found Dr. Ulbrich and focused on finding natural remedies that would boost Marty's natural immune system to help him fight the cancer.

Together we'd try to "hit a home run" and shrink the cancer for as long as possible, rather than take a brief six-month extension on his life.

And I remember how, 14 months later, when Marty was still strong, energetic, and most importantly "very much alive" - I was thrilled he'd made this decision and spared Marty the suffering and side effects of his original vets' short term radiation solution.

It may be just my opinion, but I believe that in many cases, traditional cancer treatments (like chemotherapy and radiation) can generate a lot of suffering for dogs, but offer only a chance for short term success.

Here's Why...

Chemotherapy and radiation work by poisoning the cancer cells - while hoping that the poison introduced into the patient's system doesn't kill the patient as well.

And, yes, in many cases, "traditional" western cancer treatments can help.

Why? Because in many cases - especially in humans who are young and strong - the patient has the strength and energy needed to survive the process. And given our 60+ year life expectancy, who cares if we suffer a few miserable months or years, if it gives us the chance to live cancer free for years to come.

In our pets, however, the success of these treatments can be limited...

Dogs are generally smaller and lighter, and can't handle the same levels of poisons we can endure. Plus, their owners themselves are often unwilling to deal with the side effects of hitting our pets with full doses of these treatments (hair fallout, nausea, cardiac failure, etc.), so the reduced dosages we use tend to be less effective in the long run.

And with a lifespan of just 10-15 years, how much suffering can we put our pets through for a few more short years of life.

That's why many conventional veterinary oncologists (canine cancer specialists) often just work to make our pet's life "comfortable" and resign themselves to the fact that their animal patient is going to die of cancer.

In most cases, "conventional" canine cancer treatments (like chemotherapy and radiation) come with their own built in "time limit." They're pretty much known quantities - a high likelihood that your dog will go into remission - but only for a short period of time. And after that, there will be little traditional vets can do to repeat the process.

And Remember Dog Cancer Lesson #2...

And to make matters worse, remember "Dog Cancer Lesson #2" - about removing poisons that can weaken your dog's immune system? Well radiation and chemotherapy are essentially just that - poisons.

So once the traditional chemotherapy or radiation treatments end, your dog's weakened state can make it next to impossible for his natural immune system to fight the growing cancer the second time around.

That's why it can be pretty rare for dogs to live much longer than the original time limit set by their vet.

What Will You Choose

So, should you put your dog through "conventional" dog cancer treatments like radiation or chemotherapy? That's for you alone to decide. But before you decide we recommend that you ask your vet some tough questions to find out what you can really expect from these treatments.

For example -

What side effects will your pet have to endure? These side effects are certainly minimized by reduced dosages and ancillary medicines that vets use on our pets - but it's safe to assume there will be SOME side effects and that these treatments will NOT be pleasant for you and your dog. (We can't tell you how many stories we've heard about people working hard to minimize these side effects to make these treatments easier for dog and owner.)

And what results can you really expect in the end? In many cases, your vet will give you a "time limit" of how long they think they can extend your dog's life before the treatment stops being effective. (For Marty, that time limit was 6 months).

If that's what you want - a strong chance at a short term life extension - then by all means, choose these conventional options. Just understand the natural healing possibilities you may be giving up in exchange - because unfortunately, in most cases, you can't have both.

That's why the choice I made with Marty, and the one Dr. Ulbrich recommends for virtually all of his dog cancer patients, is to choose natural remedies that strengthen their immune system, and allow them to fight back against the cancer instead.

And like I said, in Marty's case I was was thrilled I made the decision to take the risk. Because our original vet's conventional radiation option, Marty would most likely have died within 6 months. Instead, by working closely with, and following a natural treatment plan developed by Dr. Ulbrich and other dog cancer experts, we were able to use natural treatments to spend almost 17 more months together with Marty. Which option will you choose? That, only you can decide.

But what if your dog's already started receiving conventional treatments?

If you've already started your dog on "conventional" cancer treatments - chemotherapy, radiation, etc. - don't worry...

After all, these treatments DO have beneficial effects and work well in certain cases (the only real issues are for how long and at what cost).

However, in those cases, the nutrition and supplement information decribed in these reports and in my book on natural dog cancer care may be even MORE important for you and your dog.

Because in addition to the attack by the cancer - your dog's immune systems may now be under attack by the chemotherapy or radiation treatments themselves - after all, isn't that the point of these conventional treatments.

So proper nutrition and supplement information can be a huge step to minimize side effects, maintain your dog's energy, and generally help your dog handle the effects of the treatment themselves.

We hope this helps...

Lesson #5 - Supplements Can Help Boost Your Dog's Natural Healing Powers...

Dogs are excellent natural healers. And their immune system can battle a wide variety of diseases - but the battle against cancer often requires outside help to give them the best chance to heal.

Fortunately, there are a number of natural cancer fighting supplements on the market that can help your dog fight cancer.

Some of these cancer fighting supplements work by targeting the cancer cells themselves - either destroying them or otherwise slowing their growth.

Others "starve" the cancer by depriving it of the elements it needs to grow.

And still others just serve as an extra "boost" to strengthen your dog's own energy and natural immune system functions.

Better still, most of these natural cancer fighting supplements can work together, so you don't even have to figure out which one works best for your dog. Instead, you can use several supplements at the same time, and let them all work together to combat the cancer from several different angles.

The "Shotgun" Approach...

This "shotgun approach" is extremely common, and was the one we used to care for Ted's dog Marty when he was fighting canine cancer.

Under the shotgun approach, you give dogs multiple supplements at the same time - and let them work together. And then it doesn't really matter which of the multiple supplements in the mix works best - as long as all of the supplements, working together, get the job done.

Still, not all supplements work well together (many do, but some do not), so it's always best to coordinate your supplement mix with a trained "holistic" vet or cancer fighting expert, to make sure you're giving your dog the right combination to heal. If you search the internet you'll find hundreds of different supplements that can help your dog fight cancer to varying degrees. Some can be very helpful, while others can be a complete waste of time and money - but over time, with research and proper veterinary advice, you'll learn which ones work best for you and your dog.

Some Excellent Supplement Options to Consider...

When I wrote my book on dog cancer care, I asked Dr. Ulbrich, "Of all the supplements discussed in the book, which would you consider MOST critical for dog cancer care?"

And he explained that even though ideally, you want to create a specific supplement mix for each individual dog (because each individual dog, and each individual cancer is different) - he generally starts with the same 4 key supplements for nearly every dog cancer case he treats...

So we put these 4 supplements together in a package we call "Dog Cancer Essentials" - to help dog owners find these supplements and have them delivered to your door quickly and easily. That way, even if your vet adds more supplements or make some substitutes down the road - these Essentials can get you off to an excellent start for your dog's cancer care.

To see what supplements are included in the Dog Cancer Essentials package - check out the Canine Cancer Supplements website at: www.Canine-Cancer-Supplements.com/Essentials

We hope this helps...

Lesson #6 - To Help Your Dog Stay Strong, You Need to Stay Strong for Your Dog...

During the course of my dog cancer research, I read about a study that found that one key link to cancer victim death rates was "being diagnosed with cancer" - and that this relationship was multiplied significantly if patients were told "how long they had to live...."

Once the cancer diagnosis is made, our minds have a way of turning this time limit into a "self-fulfilling prophecy."

So if you're told you have six months to live, studies have shown that, in general, you'll live you guessed it - about six months. But cancer patients who weren't diagnosed, or who weren't given this time "limit," on average lived significantly longer.

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Because with cancer, the diagnosis itself tends to get to us. In our minds we worry, and that worry allows the cancer to feed on us and take control.

Here's another way to look at it - if your body is fighting one of the most dangerous diseases on the planet, it needs to focus all its energy on the task at hand to be successful.

Worry literally draws energy and attention away from the immune system and towards other things - namely dealing with your worry. So your immune system gets weaker and the cancer's job becomes that much easier.

The Same is True With Dogs

The same is true with dogs - sort of...

Of course dogs have no idea what "cancer" is. They don't hear the diagnosis. They don't know how to circle the date on the calendar when they're "supposed" to die. They just don't "worry" about things the way we do.

Of course they don't.

But if your vet says your dog has only 6 months to live, then YOU start to worry - about them. We draw circles on OUR calendars and wonder when they're going to leave us. And even if our dogs don't know exactly what we're feeling, they can certainly sense it.

They draw energy from us. Our sadness. Our fears. Our concerns can actually bring them down and make them sicker.

And that's the problem.

Because as we worry, we draw energy from them - and take away their ability to heal.

That's why it's critical, at this point in your dog's life, for you to stay positive and strong. So you can give your dog the positive reinforcement he needs to heal.

Staying Positive

In my book on natural dog cancer care, I go into great detail about HOW you can stay strong and reinforce your dogs healing. (I even include a bonus guide on positive visualization to teach you how to do this.)

Staying positive is one of the most important things you can do - for your own sanity - and for the health of your dog.

Remember, your dog is counting on YOU to be strong and help as he deals with this cancer.

That's why it's so important that you stay positive, learn all you can, take action - and don't just sit there counting the days.

We hope this helps...

Lesson 7: Right Now It's Important to Gather As Much Information As You Can...

If you look hard enough, you'll find ton of cancer fighting information out there - message boards, websites, books, etc.

Some of it's good - some not so good - and much of it can be just plain overwhelming.

But like we've said, cancer is not your average disease - it's the "Great White Shark" of the disease world - a natural and powerful killer. So if you want to give your dog the best possible chance to heal, you'd better become an expert on how it works and what you can do to help.

And Always Remember, You're Not Alone

The good news is you're not alone. Cancer affects literally hundreds of thousands of dogs each year. So there are hundreds of thousands of people out there, just like you, who are trying to wrap their hands around understanding this disease - to figure out what they can do to help their dog - just like you.

So we strongly encourage you to put on your research hat, and find all the information you can that will help your dog fight cancer.

That's what Ted did when he first learned about his dog Marty's cancer. He started asking every expert he could find about what he could do to help.

He started gathering information, information, and more information - anywhere and everywhere he could find it.

And he started buying every book he could find that would give him guidance and the answers he needed to help him along the way. And fortunately (for Ted and for Marty), after months of time and effort, he was able to find the right information, teachers, and experts to make things work for both of them.

But it wasn't easy, and he wished there had been some shortcuts along the way.

That's why he wrote his book on natural dog cancer care - to teach other dog owners the things he'd learned, so they could quickly start down the right path to help their dogs too.

And it's why he launched his Dog Cancer Support Group... So dog owners could gather information, make friends and work together to get the best possible care for their dogs.

But whether you ultimately decide to read his book, join the support group, or set out to gather and figure out all this information on your own, we encourage you to get started as soon as possible.

The more you know, the better you'll be able to help your dog fight cancer.

We hope this helps...

About the Authors

Thank you for your interest in our website and free dog cancer reports. We hope this information helps you work your way through this difficult process and be a better advocate for your dog's cancer care.

But first, I'm sure you're wondering - "Who are we, and what could we possibly have to teach you about dog cancer care...?" So let us take a moment to introduce ourselves.

About the Author - Ted Schneck

My name is Ted Schneck and, for the most part, I'm just like you...

About 4 years ago, my dog Marty (the "Wonderdog") was diagnosed with cancer.

But instead of accepting his original vet's prediction that he'd be dead within 3 to 6 months, I decided to take matters into my own hands... I made it my MISSION to learn everything I could about fighting canine cancer - so I could help Marty fight back against this terrible disease.

And I'm proud to say that, with the help of some wonderful holistic vets and teachers who guided me through Marty's dog cancer care - Marty ended up living longer (much longer) than his original vet thought possible. About 17 months, to be exact. And that throughout much of that time together, we were still able to go on walks, take hikes, play Frisbee out in the back yard - and do the things Marty loved to do the most.

Dedicated to Sharing What We've Learned...

Since then, I've dedicated myself to helping other people care for their sick dogs too - so they (and their dogs) could benefit from the lessons I've learned.

This website, these free dog cancer reports, the free information we share with subscribers to our mailing list, and the book I wrote about Fighting Canine Cancer, are my ways to help share everything I've learned with other dog owners facing the battle for their dog's lives. To create the "one-stop cancer fighting resource" I wish had existed when Marty and I first started down his healing path. So, you see, in many ways I'm just like you. Only a few years of research and study down the road, in my journey to learn about dog cancer care. And fortunate enough to have the skills and tools to take what I've leaned and teach it to you in an intelligent, straightforward, inspiring and interesting manner.

About the Consulting Veterinarian - Dr. Bob Ulbrich

The dog cancer reports included with this website were written and prepared by Ted with the input and consultation of his holistic veterinarian mentor, Dr. Bob Ulbrich, VMD.

Dr. Ulbrich is a licensed veterinarian and graduate of the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine (Class of 1986). And while he initially practiced conventional veterinary medicine, after several years he grew increasingly frustrated with the limitations of western medicine for veterinary care and began his postgraduate studies of holistic veterinary healing.

In 1997 he was awarded status as a Certified Veterinary Homeopath by the Academy of Veterinary Homeopathy, and he currently owns and operates "The Holistic Pet Vet Clinic," a holistic veterinary clinic located in Tigard, Oregon (just outside of Portland).

Over the years, Dr. Ulbrich has treated 1000s of dogs for cancer and a variety of other diseases, in his clinic and through telephone consultations, using primarily natural holistic care. He's also spoken frequently on the topics of veterinary homeopathy and holistic veterinary medicine, and has taught courses for both veterinarians and laypersons.

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Remember, you're not alone, and we hope you find all the resources you need for your dog's cancer care.

Disclaimer: Please Note. Nothing in these reports is intended to diagnose your dog's condition or otherwise constitute medical dog cancer advice. The information in these reports is meant as a starting point for your own individual dog cancer research. Every dog and every dog cancer is different, and thus it is critical that you consult with a licensed veterinary professional, to make sure your dog is getting the best possible dog cancer care tailored to his own individual dog cancer situation and needs.