

Learn how to prevent dental disease and keep your dog's teeth and gums clean and healthy

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# WHAT (AN I DO TO SUPPORT MY DOG'S DENTAL HEALTH?



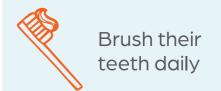
Schedule routine dental checkups and cleanings



Follow dental diets and provide dental treats when directed by your vet



Give them appropriate chew toys





#### KNOW THE SIGNS OF DENTAL DISEASE

Talk to your vet if your dog experiences any of the following symptoms<sup>1</sup>:



- Bad breath
- · Loose, broken, or dislodged teeth
- Mouth sensitivity
- Drooling
- Dropping food

- Gum redness or bleeding
- Decreased appetite
- Weight loss
- Nasal discharge
- Pawing at the mouth

#### LIMITED TIME OFFER:



**Download our Dental Checklist** and receive a free rope toy!

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## WHAT (AN I EXPECT AT MY DOG'S DENTAL (LEANING?



## BEFORE

You'll go over your dog's medical history with your vet (be sure to bring any medications your dog is taking or relevant documents with you). Your vet will perform a complete physical exam and take a blood sample. You might discuss potential procedures if problems are found during the cleaning.



#### DURING

For your dog's safety and comfort, anesthesia is required for dental cleanings. Your vet will perform a thorough oral exam followed by a complete dental cleaning. Dental x-rays may be needed to evaluate periodontal disease and see if your dog will need any extractions (surgical removal of unhealthy teeth).



## AFTER

Your vet or a member of your vet health team will review the dental procedure with you. You may notice your dog is drooling, subdued, or has a decreased appetite. Your dog may be prescribed antibiotics, pain medication, or an at-home dental health care plan including brushing or a special diet.

REMEMBER: Don't hesitate to call your vet for advice or more information about your dog's dental cleaning.



Learn more about keeping your dog's teeth and gums clean and healthy at healthydogteeth.com.

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