HEALTH CHEAT SHEET: EMERGENCY TRIAGE

For any of the below medical concerns, please contact the Foster Coordinator in order to assist with monitoring symptoms and coordinating appointments. For non-emergencies, email is also appropriate during business hours or if it can wait until the following day. The Foster Coordinator will determine the location where a pet is seen based on the situation and availability of medical staff. The SPCA of Wake County must approve any and all treatments for foster pets. When in doubt, always reach out!

Foster Cell (24-7 availability): 919-630-9680

Email: abroughton@spcawake.org

Do not use Facebook Messenger.

Regular Medical Hours:

Monday - Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The vet is not on site on weekends.

NON-EMERGENCIES	EMERGENCIES
Notify & Monitor symptoms. If worsens, will coordinate and set up a medical appointment.	Notify & Prepare for Immediate Veterinary Attention
*If under 2 months of age and exhibit 2 or 3 of the below symptoms, the foster pet needs to be seen as soon as possible. Runny discharge from eyes or nose Lack of appetite and/or some weight loss Lethargy (lack of energy) Diarrhea lasting more than 3 or 4 feedings, see stool chart for reference Vomiting Swollen eyes or eyes held closed Coughing and sneezing Lack of bowel movements for more than 24-36 hours, straining to defecate Females (cat or dog): straining to urinate Adult Rabbits & Guinea Pigs: bladder sludge 1-2 times or a decrease in stools/urine	 Continuous vomiting longer than 12 hours No or minimal appetite after 12 hours (small pets should be continuously eating) Bleeding of any kind from the nose or in urine/stool (larger than the size of a quarter) Any trauma (hit by a car, dropped, limping, etc.) Fever of 104°F or higher Difficult breathing or labored breathing Gums are white or blue in color Pet is unconscious or not responsive Lethargy with or without fever Males (cat or dog): painful with little to no urination
Regular Hours: Call, Text or Email After Hours: Text (preferred) or Call	Call 919-630-9680
Adoption Center 200 Petfinder Ln Raleigh, NC 27603 Admission Center 327 Hwy 70E Garner, NC 27529	Regular Hours: Offsite SPCA Vet Partner in the Raleigh area After Hours: Animal Emergency Hospital & Wake Veterinary Hospital & Urgent Care 409 Vick Ave 1007 Tandall Pl Raleigh, NC 27612 Knightdale, NC 27545

Please note, if the foster parent takes a foster pet to any veterinarian or emergency clinic other than the one that is designated by the Foster Coordinator, the foster parent will be responsible for ALL costs and the SPCA of Wake County is unable to reimburse individuals for the veterinary bill(s) that may incur.