



# Why CVCA

**Heart disease in pets can often remain hidden** until advanced stages but with early diagnosis and appropriate treatment, pets can live a longer, healthier life.

### Expert Care for Your Patients

- CVCA Cardiac Care for Pets has been the leading choice for veterinary cardiology since 1987. We see over 24,000 patients per year – more than any other board-certified veterinary cardiology practice worldwide.
- Largest practice of board-certified veterinary cardiologists with routine case reviews and team approach to case management.
- ACVIM credentials reflect 3-5+ years of cardiac-specific training for board-certified cardiologists.

# **Exceptional, Compassionate Service**

- Over 99% of our clients would recommend us to a friend or family member.
- Initial consultation includes a full cardiac workup by a board-certified cardiologist:
  - Blood pressure
  - Review and interpretation of medical history, radiographs and lab work
  - · Echocardiogram by board-certified cardiologist
  - Owners accompany their pet for echocardiogram
  - Ample time with each family for a comprehensive discussion on all aspects of the management of your cardiac patient, including:
    - Treatment options and prognosis
  - Diet and nutritional supplements
  - Activity levels
  - · Anesthesia risk management
  - · Options for medicating
  - · Immediate diagnosis

#### **Exceptional Value, Payment Flexibility**

- 85% of our patients receive a full cardiac workup, including treatment options and prognosis, in the range of the mid-\$600s. While the remaining patients may require additional diagnostics, almost all clients have a total cost below the mid-\$700s.
- Flexible payment options include: All major credit cards, checks, cash, Payment Banc, and 6-month deferred interest with CareCredit.

# **Accessibility**

- **24/7 Availability by phone:** A cardiologist is available by phone 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to emergency and primary care veterinarians for assistance with patient care.
- Availability for same day urgent cases.

#### **Partners** in Care

- Partnership for optimal outcome and care: Patients with congestive heart failure live 75% longer when co-managed by a CVCA board-certified veterinary cardiologist and their primary care veterinarian.
- Collaboration with Primary Care Veterinarian: CVCA is committed to ensuring ongoing communication and repeat client visits with you, including ongoing follow-up communication regarding your patients.

## Leading-Edge Diagnostics and Treatments

- CVCA doctors have extensive training in the proper techniques and interpretation of echocardiograms, and other cardiac diagnostics – resulting in higher accuracy in imaging and measurements for the best chance of successful treatment for patients.
- Top of the line Philips pediatric echocardiography units maximize the latest technology and software for accurate measurements, and images, and is geared for the higher heart rates of our pets.
- CVCA also offers opportunities to participate in cutting-edge cardiac drug trials and research, providing more opportunities for treatment for your patients.

