



Internal Medicine

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MOUNTAIN WEST
VETERINARY SPECIALISTS

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Services offered through the internal medicine department:

- ~ Disease Management
- ~ Endoscopy
- ~ Abdominal Ultrasound
- ~ CT Imaging

A veterinary internal medicine specialist is a veterinarian who has completed advanced training in internal medicine. Internal medicine involves many various organ systems and disease processes, including gastroenterology (esophageal, stomach and intestinal disease), hepatology (liver and pancreatic disease), endocrinology (hormonal disease), infectious diseases, urology (urinary tract disease), nephrology (kidney disease), respiratory medicine (nose, airway and lung disease), and hematology & immunology (blood cell and immune-disease). In addition internal medicine specialists may also manage cases of patients with neurological, or cancerous diseases, especially when these patients also share diseases within the scope of internal medicine. Once your regular veterinarian has identified (or has suspicion of) a disease requiring specialist care, he or she will refer you for a consultation. In an effort to better understand the prior health history of your pet it is ideal to receive all medical history notes and diagnostics prior to your appointment for review.

Dr. Melanie Thompson was born in Houston, Texas and was raised in Mesa, Arizona until moving to California for college. She received her Bachelor of Science (BS) degree in Animal Science from Cal State Polytechnic University in Pomona, CA. She then attended UC Davis and graduated in 1998 from the School of Veterinary Medicine. After completing veterinary school, Dr. Thompson completed an internship at Veterinary Medical and Surgical Group in Ventura, California. She then completed a three-year residency in internal medicine at the Western College of Veterinary Medicine in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada. Dr. Thompson also earned her Masters of Veterinary Science degree (focus on Diabetes mellitus) and passed the internal medicine board certification exam.

Upon completion of her residency in the summer of 2002, Dr. Thompson returned to California to work as a specialist at Veterinary Medical and Surgical Group. Dr. Thompson came to Utah in 2012 and has worked in the Salt Lake City area as an Internal Medicine Specialist consulting with clients and general practice veterinarians on complex internal medicine cases.

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