

Get to Know Our Vets!

What is an odd emergency after hours call that you have had?

Dr. Knaack- I've taken fish hooks out of more dogs than I ever thought I would, including my own dog!

Dr. Abbey- horse impaled by a T-post that survived to show at the Benton County fair this year!

Dr. Paula - Retrieved underwear during an abdominal foreign body surgery that ended up not belonging to anyone in the household.

Dr. Kris - A ferret that survived a full cycle in a washing machine.

We've had many owners call or stop in for a way to help their noise-anxious pets. Give us a call today to see if Sileo Gel or another option could help your pet this summer!

Stay Tuned!

Keep an eye out for our July Newsletter where we introduce

Librela and **Solensia** as options to help your dogs and cats suffering from arthritis.

Your Other Family Doctor June 2024 Newsletter

Sweety March 22nd March 24th March 29th



Sweety is a 13 year old mare who was seen after hours on emergency for a laceration on her back leg. This laceration wasn't able to be sutured closed as horses don't have a lot of skin to spare to suture a wound on their lower limbs. It was left to heal by second intention which means to fill in on its own and scab over. Horses are unique in the fact they are very good at filling in wounds, at times too good, and the granulation tissue that fills in a wound goes beyond the edges and doesn't allow the skin to cover it. To get ahead of this excessive tissue production, Dr. Abbey used a silicone bandage sheet to keep the granulation tissue flush with the edges of the wound. She then changed the bandage weekly with help from the client until it healed completely. She was given antibiotics and a tetanus booster as her laceration may have been from metal. Wounds like Sweety's can take longer to heal since they aren't able to be sutured, but they can still heal with some different techniques as well as dedicated owners to change bandages.



April 4th April 10th May 15th Today

Emergency & After Hours Services Offered

We take pride in the fact that we continue to offer emergency service to our clients after hours. There are times of year our livestock producers depend on this to ensure the success of their livelihood. **Birthing calls rank in the top 3 for all our veterinarians!**

For our companion animal clients we feel honored to be called upon to help in times of need. We are trained to aid in emergency situations and appreciate your trust in us. Some cases are better handled at a referral hospital. If that is the case we can triage and get you headed to a proper facility for treatment.

We really appreciate our clients understanding that we do have lives and families outside of veterinary medicine. Although the job is very rewarding, we appreciate you regarding our time on nights and weekends for true emergencies.

Here is a list of the most common emergencies we see after hours:

- Complications associated with giving birth
- Lacerations from trauma
- Dog fight with injury
- Accident with a moving vehicle
- Rat bait or xylitol ingestion