

What is Laser Therapy?

Laser therapy is the use of specific wavelengths of light (red and near-infrared) to create therapeutic effects. These effects include improved healing time, pain reduction, increased circulation and decreased swelling.

What can I expect at a laser session?

There is no patient sedation or restraint required and the experience is usually pleasant and comforting to your pet. Although improvement is often seen after the first visit, most patients require several treatments (3 to 8) for greatest benefit. For most conditions, we recommend a multi-visit treatment plan. Treatments vary in length, but most sites require 2 to 8 minutes. A majority of patients exhibit greater comfort and mobility within 12 to 24 hours after a laser treatment.

Class IV Laser Therapy treatments are cumulative in nature. The length and frequency of treatments varies with your pet's condition.

What does a treatment feel like?

There is little or no sensation during treatment. Occasionally the patient feels mild, soothing warmth, or tingling. Areas of pain or inflammation may be sensitive briefly before pain reduction.

What are the therapeutic effects of laser therapy?

During each painless treatment, laser energy increases circulation, drawing water, oxygen, and nutrients to the damaged area. This creates an optimal healing environment that reduces inflammation, swelling, muscle spasms, stiffness, and pain. As the injured area returns to normal, function is restored and pain is relieved.

What can laser therapy help with?

There have been numerous studies to show that laser can help with a variety of conditions. It is also used a lot in the human field to aid healing. Conditions which laser therapy can help include; osteoarthritis, joint pain, ligament sprains, muscle strains, wounds, hip dysplasia, and post surgical wound healing.

Are there any side effects or associated risks?

During more than twenty years of use by healthcare providers all over the world, very few side effects have ever been reported. Occasionally some old injuries or pain syndromes may feel aggravated for a few days, as the healing response is more active after treatment.

If you have any questions regarding K-Laser, and if it could benefit your pet, please do not hesitate to contact the practice.