

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT CLASS IV LASER THERAPY TREATMENTS

How are treatments administered?

Treatments are performed by positioning the laser handpiece approximately 1/2" directly above the skin and surrounding the area of injury and pain with the laser treatment beam.

How many treatments are needed?

The Class IV Laser Therapy produces results quickly. For most ACUTE conditions 5-6 treatments is all that is needed. CHRONIC conditions take longer and might require 6-12 treatments. While these are the averages, each animal is unique and healing time varies by animal and condition. For those with lifelong conditions your doctor may recommend 1 or 2 follow-up treatments each month.

Is Class IV Laser Therapy safe and without side effects?

Laser therapy has been in use for over thirty years around the world. There have been almost no side effects reported. Occasionally some old injuries or pain syndromes may be aggravated for a few days, as the healing response becomes more active after a treatment.

How long will the treatment take?

Depending on the condition, treatment times for this drug-free, non-invasive procedure will last on average 5-10 minutes but is based on the size of area, depth of penetration needed and condition being treated.

Will the treatment hurt?

Pets may notice a warm, often soothing feeling. There is no pain associated with a treatment. Many also experience reduced tension and tightness, reduced inflammation and improved of motion.

When can normal activity begin again?

The moment an animal leaves the clinic, they may resume normal daily activity. It is important to remember to not overexert for a few days, as the body is still healing.

Will insurance cover treatments?

Laser therapy may not be covered by insurance plans. If insurance does not cover the cost of treatments, there are affordable payment plans available.

How does Class IV Laser Therapy work?

When the photons of laser light penetrate the skin and underlying tissue, they are absorbed by the cells, and converted into energy. The cell membrane permeability is altered, which triggers a cascade of cellular events including:

- Stimulation of ATP
- Stimulation of respiratory chain
- Increased DNA and RNA synthesis
- Increased levels of beta endorphins and serotonin
- Enhanced collagen synthesis

What advantage does Class IV Laser Therapy have over other forms of treatment?

The treatment does not require the use of drugs or surgery, and there are no dangerous side effects or risks. In addition, Laser therapy provides enhanced treatment outcomes faster than any other treatment modality.

How is Class IV Laser Therapy better than "Cold Laser Therapy" treatments?

Cold Laser Therapy (or LLLT - Low Level Light Therapy) was introduced into the USA in 2001 with low power levels. Since that time new scientific and clinical discoveries have led to the development of higher power lasers, the new Class IV Laser Therapy.

SUCCESS STORIES

"Laser Therapy gave me back my beautiful dog. When drug therapy regimens didn't work on her skin infection, I turned to Laser Therapy. Now, a month after her last session, her coat is a rich, glossy blue. No bald spots. No scabs. No bumps. She's never looked more beautiful."

"The swelling around the surgical site went down immediately, and the healing was faster than expected. Now he's also getting Laser Therapy for his arthritis and moving better than he has in years."

"After surgery to remove the top of his femur, my cat was supposed to take a full year to heal. But with Class IV Laser Therapy, he's already jumping to the top of his cat tree and progressing months faster than expected. It's just insane! I'm thrilled."

"My dog at age 13, has two painful problems: arthritis in his hip and knee and a condition that causes bone spurs between the vertebrae in his back and chest. After eight Laser Therapy sessions, he's moving much better. It's easier for him to get up and down, and we can avoid adding more drugs to his treatment. I'm very pleased."