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AGENDA

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7:30am — 8:30am	Registration
8:30am — 8:35am	Welcome
8:45am — 9:25am	Managing Common Senior Dog Health Conditions & Comorbidities with Nutrition Camille Torres-Henderson, DVM, DABVP, DACVIM (Nutrition)
9:35am — 10:25am	Managing Common Senior Cat Health Conditions & Comorbidities with Nutrition Camille Torres-Henderson, DVM, DABVP, DACVIM (Nutrition)
10:25am — 10:40am	Break
10:40am — 11:30am	Senior Pet Diets Camille Torres-Henderson, DVM, DABVP, DACVIM (Nutrition)
11:30am — 12:00pm	Morning Session Q&A Camille Torres-Henderson, DVM, DABVP, DACVIM (Nutrition)
12:00pm — 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00pm — 1:30pm	Weighty Matters: Tackling Canine & Feline Obesity In Senior Pets - Insights from the Healthy Weight Clinic & Pet Health Center Katherine Oakes, DVM
1:30pm — 2:20pm	Canine Cognitive Dysfunction Susan Nelson, DVM
2:20pm — 2:40pm	Break
2:40pm — 3:30pm	Nutrition Tips and Tricks for the Senior Patient: Diets and Esophageal Feeding Tubes Ally Sptiz, DVM, (Residency Trained in Small Animal Clinical Nutrition))
3:30pm — 4:00pm	Afternoon Session Q&A



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Nutrition Tips and Tricks for the Senior Patient: Diets and Esophageal Feeding Tubes

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- Although many Hill's therapeutic diets are labeled for a specific disease process or condition, it is important to understand the nutritional profile to maximize use of each diet for senior patients.
- Understanding protein, fat, and carbohydrates on a metabolizable energy basis (% ME) is essential when comparing and choosing the best diet for canine and feline patients.
- Hill's Prescription Diet Canine and Feline Gastrointestinal Biome canned or dry promotes healthy stool in as little as 24 hours.
- Diets for overweight pets such as Hill's Prescription Diet Canine Metabolic + Mobility canned and dry have more fiber to increase satiety; total dietary fiber is not the same as crude fiber and should be used to compare diets with different fiber profiles.
- Hill's Prescription Diet Canine Derm Complete canned and dry is a limited ingredient food with a single, intact animal protein (egg); it is useful in older and younger itchy patients as there is an adult and puppy option.
- Hill's Prescription Diet Canine z/d canned and dry does not have ActivBiome+ but Hill's Prescription Diet Canine z/d Low Fat canned and dry with ActivBiome+ is hydrolyzed nutrition for dogs with concurrent food and fat sensitivities.
- Hill's Prescription Diet Canine and Feline k/d + j/d dry is an option for elderly pets with chronic kidney disease and concurrent joint disease.
- Hill's Prescription Diet Canine c/d Multicare Low Fat canned and dry is formulated to help dissolve struvite stones and lowers risk for formation and recurrence of calcium oxalate stones, while improving tolerance in patients with fat sensitivities.

- Hill's Prescription Diet Canine and Feline ONC Care canned and dry has exceptional taste and is designed to be nutrient and calorie dense; critical care cases or patients with inadequate nutrition can benefit from this diet.
- Esophageal feeding tubes are useful in cases with inadequate caloric intake; other benefits are controlled water intake and easier medication administration.
- Many Hill's therapeutic diets can be used to make slurries for esophageal feeding tubes and energy density should ideally be 1-2 kcal/mL if possible.



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