



PAWS Chicago Results Reporting

Using Maddie's Fund Shelter Reporting Forms

PAWS Chicago reports organizational shelter results quarterly using the Maddie's Fund Shelter Reporting Forms, considered to be an industry best practice. The Standard of Pet Care is required to interpret these reports and understand an organization or community's lifesaving progress and commitment to No Kill.

PAWS Chicago's Standard of Pet Care

PAWS Chicago has adopted the Pet Evaluation Matrix created by Iowa State University, which Maddie's Fund considers to be an excellent model for communities to adopt. A Pet Evaluation Matrix (PEM) is a list of specific, commonly seen medical and behavioral conditions that may occur in individual sheltered animals. A PEM categorizes the conditions as healthy, treatable-rehabilitatable, treatable-manageable or unhealthy & untreatable using industry standardized definitions based on the standard of care an individual pet owner would provide their pet. Iowa State University based the Matrix on findings from private practice veterinarians in corroboration with pet-owner surveys, with an overall emphasis on lifesaving.

About Maddie's Fund

Established in 1999 by PeopleSoft and Workday Founder, Dave Duffield and his wife Cheryl, Maddie's Fund is a family foundation that is helping to achieve and sustain a No Kill nation by providing ground-breaking solutions to the most challenging issues facing the animal welfare community.

Maddie's Fund was instrumental in helping standardize shelter definitions and terminology at the Asilomar Accords and has been a leader in advocating for transparency in shelter data and reporting.

PAWS Chicago's Standard of Pet Care

Medical Conditions and Behavioral Disorders



To read more about the Iowa State University matrix, visit http://www.maddiesfund.org/Maddies_Institute/Articles/A_Model_Pet_Evaluation_Matrix.html

This Standard of Care identifies medical and behavioral problems using Asilomar Accords definitions:

Healthy	H
Treatable – Rehabilitatable	T-R
Treatable – Manageable	T-M
Unhealthy & Untreatable	UU

MEDICAL CONDITIONS	CATEGORY
Geriatric with absence of medical or behavioral disease	H
Limb disability (e.g., single fore-limb amputation)	H
Pregnancy	H
Allergies - ectoparasite	T-R
Allergies - food (mild to moderate)	T-R
Anal sac disorder	T-R
Bladder stones	T-R
Coccidiosis	T-R
Conjunctivitis - infectious etiology	T-R
Constipation	T-R
Corneal ulceration	T-R
Demodectic mange - puppy or focal lesion	T-R
Dermatophytosis (Ringworm)	T-R
Diarrhea - acute	T-R
Ear mite infection	T-R
Emaciation - secondary to malnutrition	T-R
Feline upper respiratory disease (mild to moderate)	T-R
Flea infestation	T-R
Feline lower urinary tract disorder (mild to moderate)	T-R
Gingivitis	T-R
Heart murmur - low grade	T-R

MEDICAL CONDITIONS	CATEGORY
Cardiomyopathy (mild to moderate)	T-M
Chronic joint pain (mild to moderate)	T-M
Chronic joint pain (severe)	T-M
Chronic renal failure (mild to moderate)	T-M
Chronic rhinitis/sinusitis	T-M
Congestive heart failure (mild to moderate)	T-M
Deafness	T-M
Demodectic mange – diffuse, secondary to immunosuppression	T-M
Diabetes mellitus (mild to moderate)	T-M
Diabetes mellitus (severe)	T-M
Diarrhea - chronic	T-M
Distemper virus infection	T-M
Eosinophilic granuloma complex	T-M
Feline upper respiratory disease (severe)	T-M
FeLV or FIV infection - mild clinical signs	T-M
FeLV or FIV infection - no clinical signs	T-M
Feline lower urinary tract disorder (severe)	T-M
Geriatric with medical or behavioral disease	T-M
Heart murmur high grade	T-M
Heartworm infection - Feline	T-M
Hepatic lipidosis	T-M
Hyperadrenocorticalism (Cushing's disease)	T-M
Hyperthyroidism	T-M

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Heartworm infection - canine	T-R
Intestinal parasitism (mild)	T-R
Intestinal parasitism (moderate to severe)	T-R
Keratitis	T-R
Limb injury or fracture (mild to moderate)	T-R
Limb injury or fracture (severe)	T-R
Orphaned neonate	T-R
Parvovirus infection	T-R
Periodontal disease	T-R
Pneumonia (mild to moderate)	T-R
Pneumonia (severe)	T-R
Sarcoptic mange	T-R
Tick-borne infection	T-R
Tracheobronchitis - infectious	T-R
Urinary tract infection	T-R
Vomiting - acute	T-R
Allergies - environmental	T-M
Allergies - food (severe)	T-M
Asthma	T-M
Atopy	T-M
Autoimmune disease (mild to moderate)	T-M
Blindness	T-M

MEDICAL CONDITIONS	CATEGORY
Hypoadrenocorticalism (Addison's disease)	T-M
Inflammatory bowel disease (mild)	T-M
Inflammatory bowel disease (moderate to severe)	T-M
Neoplasia (mild to moderate)	T-M
Osteochondritis dissecans	T-M
Osteoarthritis - non-debilitating	T-M
Seizure disorder - frequent	T-M
Seizure disorder - infrequent	T-M
Stomatitis	T-M
Vomiting - chronic high frequency (>1 x day)	T-M
Vomiting - chronic low frequency	T-M
Autoimmune disease (severe)	UU
Cardiomyopathy (severe)	UU
Chronic renal failure (severe)	UU
Clinical Feline infectious peritonitis (FIP)	UU
Congestive heart failure (severe)	UU
FeLV or FIV infection - moderate to severe clinical signs	UU
Neoplasia (severe)	UU
Osteoarthritis - debilitating	UU
Spinal cord injury	UU

BEHAVIORAL DISORDERS	CATEGORY
Dominance aggression (mild to moderate)	T-M
Elimination disorder (mild to moderate)	T-M
Fear/Pain aggression (mild to moderate)	T-M
Feral animal (e.g., cat)	T-M
Inter dog or cat aggression (mild to moderate)	T-M
Phobias (mild to moderate)	T-M
Phobias (severe)	T-M
Play aggression (mild to moderate)	T-M
Play aggression (severe)	T-M
Psychogenic alopecia (over grooming)	T-M
Separation anxiety (mild to moderate)	T-M

BEHAVIORAL DISORDERS	CATEGORY
Separation anxiety (severe)	T-M
Shyness, no aggression (mild to moderate)	T-M
Territorial/Protective/Resource guarding aggression (mild –moderate)	T-M
Dominance aggression severe	UU
Elimination disorder severe	UU
Fear/Pain aggression severe	UU
Inter dog or cat aggression severe	UU
Territorial/Protective/Resource Guarding aggression (severe)	UU