Dermatology new Patient owner Questionnaire

We are looking forward to seeing you and your pet. In order to help us understand your pet's problems, please complete all sections of this questionnaire. Your answers will help us give your pet the best care possible. If you are unsure of how to respond to a question, please ask during the office visit. Remember to bring the completed form with you to the appointment. If you are unable to keep this appointment, please call (780) 475-9912 at least 24 hours in advance to cancel. Thank you very much!

DATE OF APPOINTMENT (if known): ___________________________ (Month/Day/Year)

OWNER AND PET INFORMATION
Your first and last name(s): ____________________________________________
Your pet’s name: _______________________________________________________

SECTION 1 – Is itching the reason for the consultation with the dermatologist?

1.1. Is any of the following the primary reason for today's visit? Itching, scratching, chewing, biting, nibbling, licking, rubbing of any part of the body.

☐ No. Skip to page 3.
☐ Yes. Proceed to next question.

1.2. Please check all parts of the body that apply.

☐ Feet, paws  ☐ Ears  ☐ Face  ☐ Armpits
☐ Back  ☐ Belly, stomach  ☐ Chest  ☐ Chin
☐ Eyes  ☐ Groin  ☐ Legs  ☐ Neck
☐ Nose  ☐ Rump  ☐ Sides/flanks  ☐ Tail
☐ Somewhere else: ______________________________________________________

1.3. Which of the following statements best describes the seasonality of itching or ear problems in your pet over the last 12 months? One response only.

☐ I cannot answer this question because the problems have been going on for less than a year. Skip to next question.
☐ The pet itches the same all year round (absolutely no increase in itch in winter compared with warm weather months). This was true from the onset.
☐ The pet used to have a warm weather seasonal itch that has evolved into a year-round itch gradually over time.
☐ The pet itches all year round but itching increases noticeably in the winter (especially when the forced-air heating is turned on).
☐ The pet itches all year round but itching increases noticeably in the warm weather months when the pollens are out.
☐ The pet does not itch at all in the winter but itching occurs in the warm weather months when the pollens are out.

1.4. If your pet's itching seems to get worse sometimes, please check all that apply.

☐ Mainly in the spring  ☐ Mainly in the summer  ☐ Mainly in the fall  ☐ At night
☐ In the morning  ☐ After eating  ☐ In the house  ☐ Outside, in contact with vegetation (mowed grass, trees, weeds, plants)
☐ After this medication: _________________________________________________
☐ After this situation or event: ____________________________________________

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SECTION 2 – How severe is your pet’s itching?

2.1. The behavioural scale below is designed to measure the severity of itching. Read all the descriptions below starting at the bottom. Then place a mark anywhere on the vertical line to indicate the point at which you think your pet’s level of itchiness currently lies.

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Extremely severe itching / almost continuous.
Itching doesn’t stop whatever is happening, even in the consulting room (needs to be physically restrained from itching.)

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Severe itching / prolonged episodes.
Itching might occur at night (if observed) and also when eating, playing, exercising or being distracted.

8

Moderate itching / regular episodes.
Itching might occur at night (if observed), but not when eating, playing, exercising or being distracted.

7

Mild itching / a bit more frequent.
Wouldn’t itch when eating, playing, exercising or being distracted.

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Very mild itching / only occasional episodes.
The dog is slightly more itchy than it was before the skin problem started.

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Normal dog – I don’t think itching is a problem.
SECTION 3  – Are there any problems other than itching?

3.1. Please check any of the following problems that pertain to your pet.

☐ Curving nails   ☐ Head shaking Ear
☐ Cracking nails  ☐ Foot problems (pododermatitis)
☐ Breaking nails  ☐ Interdigital cysts
☐ Sloughing nails ☐ Lumps, bumps (nodules, masses)

☐ Rash(es)       ☐ Scabies
☐ Red bumps (papules) ☐ Smelly skin
☐ Pimples (pustules) ☐ Oily, greasy skin
☐ Scabs (crusts)  ☐ Hair Loss (alopecia)
☐ “Hot spots”    ☐ Red skin (erythema)

☐ Change in stool consistency  ☐ Gas, flatulence
☐ Poor appetite  ☐ Vomiting
☐ Coughing       ☐ Runny eyes
☐ Excessive appetite ☐ Runny nose

☐ “Hot spots”    ☐ Weight gain

☐ Other: ________________________

3.2. How many bowel movements does your pet have per day?

☐ I’m not sure. Skip to next section. ☐ Number:__________/day.

SECTION 4  – How long have the problems been present?

☐ I’m not sure. Skip to page 4. ☐ Duration (in years or months or weeks): ________________________.
SECTION 5 – Origin, travel history, environment, other animals, people in your household, grooming

5.1. How old was the pet when adopted?
☐ I’m not sure. Skip to next question.  ☐ Age (in years or months or weeks): __________________________.

5.2. Where was the pet adopted (i.e. pet store, breeder, SPCA etc.)?

5.3. Has the pet traveled outside of the province of Alberta?
☐ No. Skip to next question.  ☐ Yes. Where, when: ____________________________________________.

5.4. Has your pet been out of his or her usual environment recently (i.e. vacation, play date, day-care, visit to family or friends, kennel, pet-sitter, etc.)?
☐ No. Skip to next question.  ☐ Yes. Details: ____________________________________________

5.5. Please check any of the following that are present in your pet’s environment.
☐ Carpet(s)  ☐ Forced-air heating  ☐ Tobacco smoke  ☐ Swimming in ocean
☐ Rug(s)  ☐ Radiant heating  ☐ Smoking in lake  ☐ Swimming in river
☐ Wool blanket(s)  ☐ Feather blanket(s), duvet(s)  ☐ Swimming in river

5.6. Do you have any other indoor animals?
☐ No. Skip to next question.  ☐ Yes. Details: ____________________________________________.

5.7. Do you have any other outdoor animals?
☐ No. Skip to next question.  ☐ Yes. Details: ____________________________________________.

5.8. Do any of your other animals have skin problems?
☐ No. Skip to next question.  ☐ Yes. Details: ____________________________________________.

5.9. Do any people in your house have skin problems?
☐ No. Skip to next question.  ☐ Yes. Details: ____________________________________________.

5.10. How much time does your pet spend in the house?
☐ Stays in the house all the time
☐ If goes outside, percentage of time spent outdoors: __________%.
☐ Never comes in the house

5.11. Do you (or someone else) bathe/groom your pet at home?
☐ No. Skip to next question.  ☐ Yes. Frequency and products: ____________________________________________

5.12. Do you (or someone else) bathe/groom your pet somewhere else?
☐ No. Skip to next question.  ☐ Yes. Frequency and products: ____________________________________________
### SECTION 6 – Diet history

6.1. What does your pet eat? Please tell us brands and check the labels for main ingredients (i.e. chicken, beef, lamb, rice, corn, wheat etc.)

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6.2. When did you start feeding the current diet?

- I'm not sure. Skip to next question.
- Duration (in years or months or weeks): ________________

6.3. Have hypoallergenic diets been tried?

- No. Skip to next question.
- Yes, it helped with the skin problems.
- Yes, but it did not help the skin problems.

6.4. Please check any of the following statements that pertain to the previous use of hypoallergenic diets.

- There were so many that I can't remember.

- I tried the following diet(s) prescribed by my veterinarian(s). **Please check all that apply.**

  - [ ] Hills d/d Low Allergen
  - [ ] Hills d/d duck/green pea
  - [ ] Eukanuba lams risnpotato
  - [ ] Eukanuba lams kangaroo/oat
  - [ ] Hills d/d Ultra Allergy Tree
  - [ ] Hills d/d duck/potato
  - [ ] Medical Vegetarian
  - [ ] Royal Canin Sensitivity catfish/rice
  - [ ] Medical Hypoallergenic
  - [ ] Hills d/d salmon/potato
  - [ ] Purina DRM
  - [ ] Purina HA
  - [ ] Royal Canin Sensitivity venison/rice
  - [ ] Medical Gastro
  - [ ] Hills d/d venison/green pea
  - [ ] Royal Canin Skin Support
  - [ ] Royal Canin HP 19 or 23
  - [ ] Royal Canin Sensitivity duck/rice

- I tried the following over-the-counter diets; raw or home-cooked ingredients. Add an extra page if needed. Please try to remember the brands and main ingredients (i.e. duck, venison, rabbit, brushtail, kangaroo, fish, salmon, green pea, sweet potato, potato etc.)
### SECTION 7 – Other illnesses, current and previous treatments

#### 7.1. Does your pet have any other illnesses?
- [ ] No. Skip to next question.
- [ ] I'm not sure.
- [ ] Yes, now. Details: ____________________________
- [ ] Yes, in the past. Details: ____________________________

#### 7.2. Does your pet have any known adverse/allergic reactions to medications (i.e. antibiotics, anesthesia, sedation, vaccinations, shampoos, ear cleaners, ear drops etc.)?
- [ ] No. Skip to next question.
- [ ] Yes. Details: ___________________________________________

#### 7.3. List any medications (oral, shampoo, ear drops, thyroid and hart medications etc.) your pet is currently taking. Include all treatments that are over-the-counter. Add an extra page if needed.

- ___________________________________________
- ___________________________________________
- ___________________________________________
- ___________________________________________
- ___________________________________________
- ___________________________________________
- ___________________________________________
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- ___________________________________________
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- ___________________________________________

#### 7.4. Please check any of the following statements that pertain to the use of medications for skin.
- [ ] There were so many that I can't remember. Skip to page 7.
- [ ] My veterinarian(s) can give you the information about prescription medications.
- [ ] The itch goes away completely as long as my pet gets steroids (i.e. Vanectyl-P, prednisone, prednisolone).
- [ ] The itch is partially controlled as long as my pet gets antihistamines (i.e. Benadryl, Reactine).
- [ ] The rashes go away completely with antibiotics but keep coming back.
- [ ] I tried cyclosporine (Atopica).
- [ ] I tried allergy shots.
- [ ] I have tried everything and nothing works.
SECTION 8 – Flea exposure and flea control

8.1. Does your pet have fleas?

☐ No. Skip to next question. ☐ Yes, now. Details: ________________________________

☐ Yes, in the past. Details: ________________________________

8.2. Do you use flea control products on your pet?

☐ No. Skip to next question.

☐ I use(d) the following products(s) prescribed by my veterinarian(s). Please check all that apply.

☐ Advantage ☐ Advantage Multi ☐ Capstar ☐ Comfortis

☐ Interceptor ☐ K9 Advantix ☐ Program ☐ Revolution

☐ Sentinel ☐ Other(s): ________________________________

8.3. How do you use the flea control products?

☐ Year-round ☐ Warm weather months only

☐ On this pet only ☐ On all pets in the household

SECTION 9 – Additional history

9.1. Please provide below any other information that you feel may be helpful (i.e. pet’s temperament, special requests/concerns, your expectations as the pet’s owner etc.). Add an extra page if needed.