

St. Michael Veterinary Clinic Reasons Why Your Pet Should Be Examined

BLEEDING Bleeding from any part of the body. Blood in the urine or stool.

VOMITING OR Many repeated episodes in a short period or intermittently over a

DIARRHEA period of days or weeks.

CONVULSIONS Violent shaking of the head or body with uncontrolled spasms.

LETHARGY Lack of normal tolerance for exercise; reduced energy or

playfulness.

PAIN Limping or favoring a leg, crying or showing signs of pain when

touched.

EYE PROBLEMS Redness, discharge, squinting, any film over the eye, or

difficulty seeing.

WEIGHT LOSS Dramatic unexplained losses in body weight over weeks or

months.

LUMPS OR BUMPS Any new lump or one that is bleeding or growing rapidly over

time.

CHANGES IN Refusing food or eating significantly more or less then normal.

APPETITE

SCRATCHING Frequently scratching or biting any body area; pawing at face

or ears, shaking or tilting the head.

INCREASE IN THIRST Drinking and urinating more, straining to urinate or any changes

OR URINATION in your pet's elimination habits.

COUGHING OR Coughing, shortness of breath, any difficulty breathing.

DIFFICULTY BREATHING

PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO CALL IF YOU THINK YOUR PET IS ILL. EARLY TREATMENT CAN MEAN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH.

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