

“It matters not whether medicine is old or new, so long as it brings about a cure. It matters not whether theories are Eastern or Western, so long as they prove to be true.”

-Dr. Jen-Hsou Lin

“Veterinary Acupuncture and acuthery are now considered an integral part of veterinary medicine”

-American Veterinary Medical Association 1996

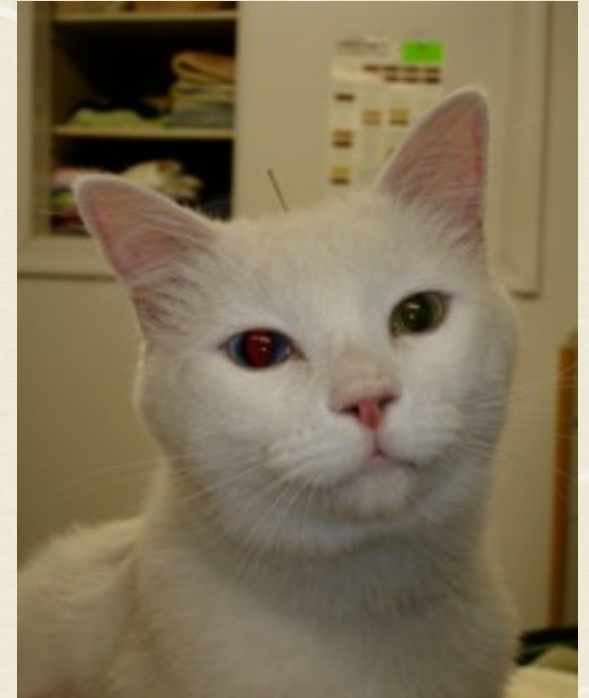


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VETERINARY ACUPUNCTURE OF RICHMOND

At Fairfield Veterinary Hospital



Combining Eastern and Western
Medicine providing your animal with the
best comprehensive care possible.

Introducing: Dr. Courtney Belden,
Certified Veterinary Acupuncturist



Dr. Courtney Belden, CVA

Dr. Courtney Belden, CVA recently joined Fairfield Veterinary Hospital in December of 2008. She has always had a keen interest in learning the practice of acupuncture and has recently completed the Colorado Veterinary Medical Association's course in Medical Acupuncture for Veterinarians.

The course focused on the medical basis for acupuncture and the integration of an ancient Eastern medicine into contemporary Western veterinary medical practice.

After one full month of training and testing, Dr. Belden completed the course and became certified in May of 2009.

She is eager to put her newly learned skills to good use with your furry friends.

WHAT IS ACUPUNCTURE?

-The act of placing a needle into the body at specific points

HOW DOES IT WORK?

-Improves circulation via vasodilation

-Releases endogenous opioids

-pain inhibition thru nerve fibers/pathways

WHAT CONDITIONS CAN ACUPUNCTURE TREAT?

Acupuncture can be useful in most any medical condition, especially when used as an adjunct therapy to Western medicine.

Examples of Common Diseases/Conditions Treated with Acupuncture:

Musculoskeletal Disease: arthritis, muscular pain, post-operative pain/healing

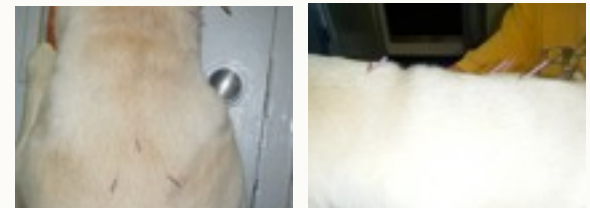
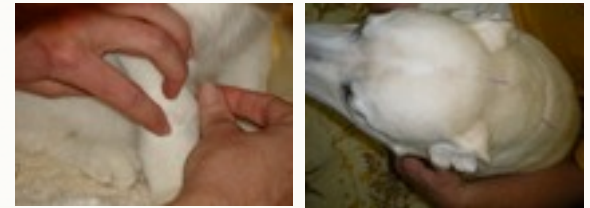
Neurologic Disease: nerve dysfunction, paralysis, disk disease, seizures

Dermatologic Disease: allergic dermatitis, non-healing wounds, immune-mediated disease

Gastrointestinal Disease: constipation, diarrhea, IBD, inappetence, nausea, vomiting

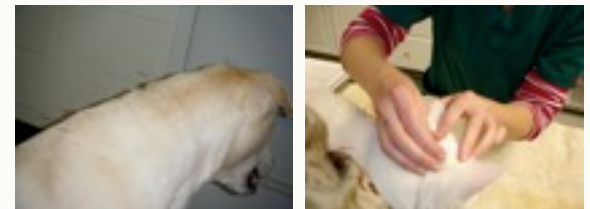
Urogenital Disease: feline lower urinary tract disease, renal dysfunction, reproductive disorders, incontinence, cystitis

Immune Disease/Dysfunction: immunomodulation, immune stimulation, immune-mediated disease



HOW CAN I GET STARTED WITH MY PET?

Acupuncture therapy will be different for each animal and is aimed at treating specific conditions, as well as overall well-being. There will be an evaluation/exam/detailed history of each animal on their first visit. The initial evaluation will include the first treatment and subsequent treatments will be determined at that time.



Prices available upon request.