

# February is National Pet Dental Health Month

Oh my!  
Your teeth look  
**AMAZING!**



## Does your pet have healthy teeth?

**Routine Dental  
check-ups  
with the  
veterinarian  
are essential for  
your companion's  
well-being.**

Did you know that oral health has a significant impact on your pet's quality of life, comfort and even lifespan? February is Pet Dental Health Month, and it's the perfect time to ensure that your loyal companion's mouth and teeth are in peak condition. After all, your four-legged friend's overall wellbeing depends on it!

### WARNING SIGNS

Like humans, pets that lack proper oral and dental hygiene can develop illnesses such as gingivitis and periodontitis. If your cat or dog displays symptoms such as foul smelling breath, pawing at the face or mouth area, difficulty chewing food, reddened gums, tooth discoloration, or it has been more than one year since a regular veterinary checkup, contact your veterinarian.


### PREVENTION

To keep the spread of disease-causing oral bacteria to a minimum, it is important that you establish an oral hygiene routine for your pet that includes:

- Regular veterinary dental exams
- Use of dentifrices
- Dental treats and diets
- Dental health chews

Diet is a major factor in your pet's dental health. To prevent plaque and tartar buildup, feed dog and cats high-quality dry food and chew treats rather than canned varieties or leftover "people food".

Don't underestimate the importance of regular check-ups with the veterinarian. Remember: your pet needs and deserves regular dental care.



**Don't play tooth or  
consequences with your pet's health.  
Free dental exam  
and \$30 off any dental treatment  
scheduled in February.  
Call and schedule today! **252-9499****



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