



LIFE-THREATENING but preventable: PYOMETRA IN PETS

WHAT IS PYOMETRA?

A serious infection of the uterus in unspayed female pets that can develop suddenly and requires emergency veterinary care.

WHO'S AT RISK?

- 🐾 Unspayed female dogs and cats
- 🐾 Middle-aged to older pets
- 🐾 Can occur weeks after a heat cycle

• **CLOSED** pyometra may show **NO** discharge—making it harder to detect.

WARNING SIGNS

- Swollen abdomen
- Excess thirst/urination
- Vaginal discharge (pus-like or bloody)
- Loss of appetite
- Fever
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea



WHY IT HAPPENS

Hormonal changes after heat cycles cause the uterus lining to thicken and fill with fluid, creating the perfect environment for bacteria.

THE ONLY CURE

Emergency surgery to remove the infected uterus.

Delays can lead to **organ failure** and death.

THE BEST PREVENTION

SPAY EARLY: Spaying completely eliminates the risk of pyometra and provides many additional health benefits.

SPREAD THE WORD

If you know someone with an unspayed female pet, share this flyer. **It could save a life.**

