



WHAT BEING FEAR FREE MEANS TO US



With hands that heal and hearts that care, we make veterinary visits happy and stress-free for the whole family. We're committed to ensuring your pet never fears the place dedicated to their emotional and physical well-being.



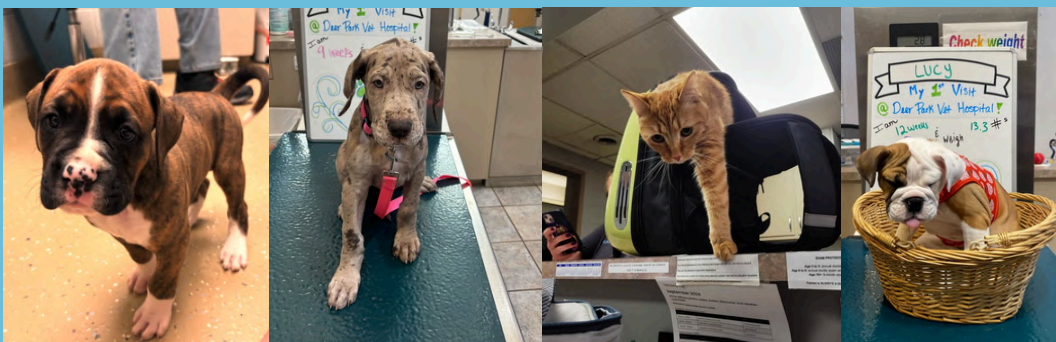
WHAT IS FEAR FREE CERTIFICATION?

A Fear Free Certified Veterinary Practice is one where every team member incorporates principles that reduce fear, anxiety, and stress at every stage—from arrival, to treatment, to discharge. This isn't about treats alone; it's about creating an emotionally supportive environment.





WHAT DOES THIS MEAN WHEN VISITING DPVH?





A CALMER CHECK-IN

- We limit the number of pets in our lobby at any one time.
- When possible, we offer “lobby-free”/curbside check-in so your pet can go straight into an exam room.
- Separate dog and cat areas help reduce stress from sights, smells, and sounds.



TREATS AND DISTRACTIONS



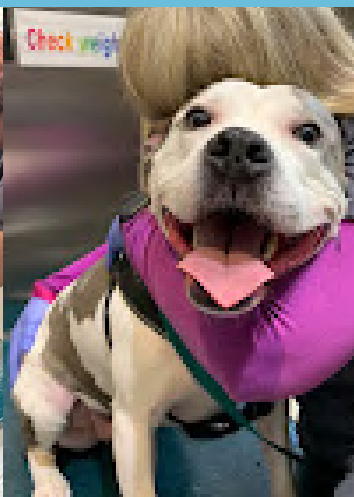
We use peanut butter, cheese, other favorite snacks, or even toys to make procedures like nail trims or positive and painless experiences.



GENTLE HANDLING

We read your pet's body language and work at their pace.

Minimal restraint is used; only as much as is truly needed





WHY DO WE DO THIS?



Fear Free care doesn't just make pets happier, it helps us provide better medicine. When pets are calm, we can perform thorough exams, get accurate readings, and build trust for future visits.



WE'RE IN THIS TOGETHER

Our goal is a lifetime of happy, stress-free vet visits for your pet. If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions to make your pet's visits easier, just ask. We're here to listen.