

## Have you thought about your dog's aging plan?

Even when we pay lots of attention, our dogs can age in ways we don't see right away.

Aging is more than just slowing down or stiffer movement. Aging is comprehensive and needs to be addressed in that way.

Veterinary Technicians are a great resource to help you develop and manage your dog's aging plan.

Veterinary Technicians can help you recognize age-associated changes in...

Cognition

**Physical Signs** 

**Social Behavior** 



# Do you know everyday signs of aging in your dog?

### Changes in cognitive behavior

- Aimless pacing
- Appearing lost
- General restlessness
- Increased vocalization
- Ability to respond to commands

### Changes in physical signs

- Visual Acuity
- Bladder/ Bowel Function
- Incontinence/Accidents
- Ability to navigate normally
- Disruption of sleep
- Breathing patterns
- Physical discomfort
- Eating Habits/Weight
- Ability to Trot/Run
- Walking Up/Down Stairs
- Overall Vitality

#### Changes in social engagement

- Behavior around other dogs
- Engagement with family
- Level of curiosity
- Level of playful behavior
- Increase in fearfulness

MORE LIFE IN YOUR DOG. MORE DOG IN YOUR LIFE.