

Veterinary Referral Form

Behaviour problems may arise both directly and indirectly as a result of concurrent or previous medical problems. Veterinary involvement is therefore essential in eliminating organic causes of the problem and prioritising the diagnostic and treatment strategy to be used in any given case. In order to safeguard the welfare of your patient and indicate your approval of referral or delegation to Zoe Demery and the rest of the Second Nature Behaviour team, please complete the following form. If there are multiple animals in the household, they must all be included in this referral. This form and clinical records may be completed through our web site, posted, emailed or faxed (0844 358 3201) to us.

Veterinary behaviourist option: Please note that until a case is released to another veterinary surgeon then you, as the client's normal veterinary surgeon, remain responsible for the treatment and any prescriptions given. Remote advice for the case may need to be sought from a veterinary behaviourist (MRCVS CCAB), who works with Second Nature Behaviour. By signing this form, you agree that even when advice is sought from this veterinary behaviourist, any prescription of medication and provision of 24-7 emergency care remains the responsibility of the referring veterinary practice. Advice is sought on the understanding that the veterinary behaviourist will be remote from the patient and will not be able to perform a physical clinical exam, so the veterinary behaviourist cannot provide a diagnosis, but they can provide advice to the referring vet about treatment or further investigations relevant to the case. Second Nature Behaviour will then implement the advice according to your instruction and report back to you on the outcome. If it becomes apparent that the case would need to be fully referred to a veterinary behaviourist, then you would need to contact them separately. If you would prefer a veterinary behaviourist not to be involved in this case, please indicate this in the form below.

Student involvement: As Second Nature Behaviour are active in the training of behaviourists working towards independent accreditation, pet behaviour students may sit in on your patient's consultation, or advanced students may lead the consultation under the direct supervision of Zoe Demery. All students sign strict confidentiality agreements and are appropriately insured. If you would prefer your client not to be offered a student consultation, please let us know in the form below.

Client's Name	
Pet(s) Name(s)	
Client's Contact Details	
Referring Veterinary Surgeon	
Practice Contact Details	

Nature of Problem			
Consent for students to sit in or lead the consultation under supervision?	Yes / No	Consent for remote involvement of a vet behaviourist (MRCVS CCAB) when required?	Yes / No
Medical history accompanies this slip		Medical history supplied by phone /fax /post /email	
Relevant medical history notes			
Signed MRCVS			

Data protection notice: Second Nature Behaviour will use personal data about this animal for the purpose of providing animal behaviour counselling services, as well as for our internal administration and management purposes. We will treat all of this information in confidence and keep it secure. We may need to share it with veterinary staff and other animal care professionals for the purpose of helping us to provide the animal behaviour counselling services, but will only do so with your permission and your client's permission. For more information about how we use your data, please see our Privacy Policy on our web site, which also contains information about your privacy rights.

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