



Medical Concerns

Medical Emergencies

If you have an emergency medical situation outside of Anippanion hours you will now be required to drop off and come back to pick up. Early in the day, these will likely be same-day pickups unless it's determined to be Emergency Rescue or Rescue Only, but later in the day, it will likely be a next-day pickup. Emergency medical drop-off is available between the hours of 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on weekdays and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekends.

If the medical team determines when the pet arrives that it is not an emergency, pets will be treated in order of urgency.

Once the pet has been treated, we will reach out to you and let you know when you can pick up.

If there is an emergency outside of DAS hours, you can bring your foster pet to an emergency vet, but **we are unable to pay for the treatment or reimburse fosters for treatment through a third party.**

An emergency can be described as:

- *Trauma –sustaining a severe injury or suspected poisoning or burn*
- *Difficulty breathing (struggling for breath, gasping, or shallow breathing)*
- *Seizures*
- *Deep cuts and gashes that will not stop bleeding with pressure*
- *Extreme lethargy and foster pet is unable to waken or move*
- *Extreme instability or falling over*
- *Liquid diarrhea with blood and vomiting*
- *Rectal temperature 104.5 or above. (If not after a period of high activity.)*

Deceased Foster Pet

In the rare case your foster dog passes away in your care, please contact DAS Foster Team at: **DASFoster@dallas.gov** to alert the team and return the pet's remains.

