

## Are toxins affecting my pet?

Animals can be chronically exposed to toxins such as pesticides, herbicides, air pollution, chemicals in the home, as well as additives in their food.

Do you ever consider the effect of toxins on your furkids?

Pesticides can cause neurologic damage, delayed development, cancer, reproductive dysfunction, and hormone problems.

Cats and dogs often lay outside in vegetation, and if that vegetation has been treated with chemicals, the animal will be exposed.

Our pets do not wear shoes that can be removed before coming inside to reduce exposure. They are also smaller than humans and what may not be significant exposure to an adult human can be a lot for a smaller animal.

Animals smell their environment more than humans, so they inhale more toxins. Many pets groom themselves when they get home, thus adding to their exposure.

Repeated exposure can lead to the chronic accumulation of toxins.

What can you do?

When you get home from your walk, a bath or even rubbing down the pet's fur with a clean towel will remove some of the exposure.

Protecting your pet will help prolong its health. Check with your veterinarian for any specific needs for your animal.

A high-quality diet, free of grains, is a good starting point. Give them pure drinking water. Ask your vet about adding liver and steamed fresh vegetables to the animal's food.

Also, ask about herbs that help detoxify such as Fenugreek and Spanish Black Radish. Standard Process makes organic toning supplements for pets that we can order for you.

Ask me about supplements for your dog or cat next time you're in the office.