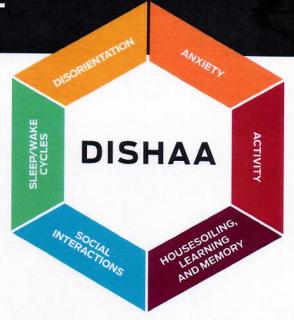
SENIOR CANINE COGNITIVE

ASSESSMENT

What is DISHAA?

DISHAA is a tool to help you and veterinarians assess the mental acuity of your dog, and for veterinarians to potentially diagnose Cognitive Dysfunction Syndrome (CDS).

Date:			



Owner's name:		Pet's name:		
Age:	Gender: □Ma	le 🗆 Female	Neutered/Spayed: □No □Yes	
Breed:		Weight:		
BCS: (Body Condition Score of 1-9):	(Vet staff to fill out)	Current diet:		

Please complete this canine senior pet cognitive assessment. If you've noticed changes in multiple behavioral categories, be sure to talk to your veterinarian today about the health of your pet's aging brain.

BEHAVIORAL SIGNS

Identify signs that have arisen or progressed since 8 years of age and older.

Score as 0=none, 1=mild, 2=moderate, 3=severe

Score

Gets stuck, difficulty getting around objects, goes to hinge side of door Stares blankly at walls, floor, or into space Does not recognize familiar people/familiar pets Gets lost in home or yard Less reactive to visual (sights) or auditory (sounds) stimuli

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SOCIAL INTERACTIONS				
More irritable/fearful/aggressive with visitors, family or other animals				
Decreased interest in approaching, greeting or affection/petting				
SLEEP/WAKE CYCLES				
Pacing/restless/sleeps less/waking at night				
Vocalization at night				
HOUSESOILING, LEARNING AND MEMORY				
Less able to learn new tasks or respond to previously learned commands/name/work				
Indoor soiling of urine or stool /decreased signaling to go out				
Difficulty getting dog's attention/increased distraction/decreased focus				
ACTIVITY	N. Cole			
Decrease in exploration or play with toys, family members, other pets				
Increased activity including aimless pacing or wandering				
Repetitive behaviors, e.g., circling chewing licking star gazing				
ANXIETY				
Increased anxiety when separated from owners				
More reactive/fearful to visual (sights) or auditory (sounds) stimuli				
Increased fear of places/locations (e.g., new environments/going outdoors)				
TOTAL				

Once this form is completed, your veterinarian will determine the cause of these signs through a physical examination and recommended diagnostic tests. However, even if your senior pet is experiencing multiple health issues associated with aging, there may be some degree of CDS.

A score of 4-15 is consistent with mild, 16-33 is moderate, and >33 is severe CDS.