

# Public Integrity Unit

Case # 14-072

Interview of:
Tabitha Gray
LMAS Veterinarian



# LOUISVILLE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT

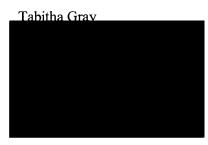


# Special Investigations Division Public Integrity Unit INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

Type of Investigation Animal Cruelty/Neglect	File No. Date of Report: November 12, 20		
Activity:  Interview with Tabitha Gray	Submitted By Sergeant Marcus Laytham		
	Lead Investigator: Sergeant Chad Kessinger		

#### INTERVIEW WITH TABITHA GRAY

On November 5, 2014, at approximately 1221 hours an interview was conducted with Tabitha Gray. Mrs. Gray is more specifically identified as:



The interview was conducted at Louisville Metro Animal Services (LMAS) located at 3705 Manslick Road. Also present during the interview was Sergeant Chad Kessinger. Mrs. Gray was employed by LMAS as the veterinarian services supervisor during the time frame of this investigation and is currently employed in the same position. Mrs. Gray's interview was taken in the form of a sworn statement and the following are the key aspects of the interview:

- Mrs. Gray supplied Sergeant Kessinger with a complete copy of Sadie's medical history
- Mrs. Gray referred to medical records that Sadie was brought to LMAS on February 2, 2013 and subsequently taken to Jefferson Animal Hospital for her leg
- Sadie was originally evaluated by the licensed Vet Tech on staff identified as Janet Dudick
- Sadie's owner was located and Sadie was released back to the owner on February 14, 2013, with instructions to follow up with personal veterinarian regarding the leg
- Sadie was picked up again by LMAS on August 29, 2013
- During rounds it was noted leg was non-weight bearing and muscles appeared atrophied
- Mrs. Gray stated if an animal is suffering it would not be recommended to go out to a foster
- The records indicated to Mrs. Gray that Sadie was not in pain because if she were she would have been prescribed pain medication
- Mrs. Gray was unaware when Sadie went out in foster care
- When an animal is out to be fostered it, the foster is responsible for the day to day care of the animal but veterinarian care is available through LMAS
- Mrs. Gray was contacted in regards to an amputation for Sadie but no-one told her the dog was suffering
- If it were communicated to Mrs. Gray Sadie was in pain she would have instructed the foster to bring the dog in for the appropriate treatment or euthanasia because she would not allow her to suffer

This interview was audio recorded and shall be mad a part of this file.

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## LOUISVILLE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT PUBLIC INTEGRITY UNIT

## OFFICIAL STATEMENT

CASE NUMBER: 14-07 Today's date is November 5 2014 12:21 hours. The time is (R/S)This is an interview with This interview is being conducted at: Public Integrity Unit, 810 Barret Avenue, Louisville, KY 40204 Other Location: Present during this interview is; (Title) Q1 Are you aware this interview is being audio and/or viceo recorded? Q2 Has anyone threatened you in order to obtain this interview? Q3 Are you giving this interview of your own free will? Q4 Please, state your full name, and spell your last name. What is your date of birth? Q5 State your home address including the zip code. Q6 Is this the same as your mailing address? (If no) Mailing address? Q7 State your home telephone number with the area code. Q8 State your mobile and an alternate phone number with area codes. O9 Are you employed? Q10 State your employer and the position you hold there. Q11 What is your work telephone number? Q12 Are you aware the following interview will be a sworn statement? PLEASE RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND , solemnly swear or affirm to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God? I UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE OATH THAT I HAVE TAKEN. Subscribed and sworn to me by day of Wovember Notary Public, State at Large, KY This My Commission Expires Mar. 29, 2017.

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My Commission Expires

#### November 5, 2014

This is Sergeant Chad Kessinger with the Louisville Metro Police Department Pubic Integrity Unit. This is going to be an official statement in regards to Case #14-072. Today's date is November 5, 2014. The time now is 12:21. This is an interview with Tabitha Gray. This interview is being conducted at 3705 Manslick Road at the Louisville Metro Animal Services. Present during this interview is myself, Sergeant Chad Kessinger and also Sergeant Marcus Laytham.

Kessinger

Miss Gray, are you aware that this interview will be audio recorded?

Gray

Yes.

Kessinger

Has anyone threatened in order to obtain this interview?

Gray

No.

Kessinger

Are you giving this interview of your own free will?

Gray

Yes.

Kessinger

Please state your full name; and spell your last.

Gray

Tabitha Lynn Gray. G-R-A-Y.

Kessinger

And what is your date of birth please?

Gray

Kessinger

And please state a home address including the ZIP code.

Gray

Kessinger

And is this the same as your mailing address?

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Gray

Yes.

Kessinger

State your home phone with area code please

Gray

Kessinger

And state your mobile or an alternate phone number with area code.

Gray

Uhh, that—that is the mobile.

Kessinger

Okay. Are you employed?

Gray

Yes.

Kessinger

And please state your employer and the position that you hold there.

Gray

Louisville Metro Animal Services. I am the Veterinarian services

supervisor.

Kessinger

And what is your work telephone number?

Gray

my mobile.

Kessinger

Okay. Are you aware the following interview will be a sworn statement?

Gray

Yes.

Kessinger

If you would, please raise your right hand. Do you, Tabitha Gray, solemnly swear to affirm to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but

the truth so help you God?

Gray

Yes.

Kessinger

If you would please sign your name next to the X. And if you would,

dated today's date. And the time is 12:22.

Gray

Okay.

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Kessinger

Thank you.

Gray

You're welcome

Kessinger

And when you sat down here with us, you gave us medical records that are

here in front of me that say Sadie's Medical History. Correct?

Gray

Correct.

Kessinger

And apparently this is 1, 2, 3, 4 pages. Correct?

Gray

Correct.

Kessinger

And this is going to be an interview in regards to the young pit bull by the

name of Sadie. And are you familiar with—with the dog?

Gray

I am.

Kessinger

And if you would, can you tell me when you were first made aware of

Sadie coming into the shelter?

Gray

Well when I was first made aware of Sadie coming into the shelter, I'm not really sure if—what the day is on 2-4, but I only work Monday through Friday, so I don't wanna uhh—so I work Monday through Friday. So the first time she came in was on the third. But if that was on a weekend then I wasn't here. So it was the previous Monday. Whatever—

weekend then I wasn't here. So it was the previous Monday. Whatever—whatever it was. I'm gonna assume that it isn't because my Vet tech that was on call. Umm, so I was made aware of her in between approximately

the third and the fifth I would say.

Kessinger.

Okay. And how were you made aware of Sadie being here?

Gray

Well generally the animals that come into the shelter if they have any type of injury and a Vet tech or whoever is on call and then we usually get

together on Monday and talk about the cases that came in.

Kessinger

Okay. Do you recall having a discussion about Sadie?

Gray

Umm, not particularly. No.

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Kessinger Okay. And on here, if you would, if you could just walk me through this.

It's dated February 3, 2013.

Gray Uh-huh.

Kessinger And it was treated by and it has initials. J.L.D.?

Gray Uh-huh. That's Janet Dudick, who at the time, was uhh our licensed Vet

tech. She no longer works for Louisville Metro.

Kessinger Okay. And it says exam, intake.

Gray Uh-huh.

Kessinger And then it has...

Gray Where are you?

Kessinger ...the little summary of...

Gray Well, see basically what the important part is right here is that we know that the dog's friendly. So for us, that means we can treat it. Umm or at

that the dog's triendly. So for us, that means we can treat it. Umm or a least get close to it and it will let us examine it and everything like that. What it does say on here is the movement, the dog was non-weight bearing on umm the left front leg; possible broken; sent to Jefferson

Animal Hospital.

We have a contract with Jefferson Animal Hospital. Umm and what we do is—is we want to treat every animal like it's our own. So in doing so, we created this contract with Jefferson Animal Hospital. We don't have an X-ray machine here. Uhh so what we do is if an animal is non-weight bearing and it's a stray then we'll send it out there and get x-rays and get

their opinion on what it is going on with the dog.

Kessinger Okay. And this is dated February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Gray Uh-huh.

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Kessinger

And with this saying non-weight bearing on left front leg, possible broken, sent to, and then there the uhh letters J.A.H., which is Jefferson Animal

Hospital. Is that correct?

Gray

Correct. Yes.

Kessinger

Now the line below this is dated February 4, 2013.

Gray

Uh-huh.

Kessinger

Now is this also from Louisville Animal Services? Is this from...?

Gray

No. This is actually the report—the report and as you notice it says underneath it, it says report from Jefferson Animal Hospital. So this is actually a report that was typed in by Janet. But it—all it is reflecting the second page and inside of our Chameleon so that we have a complete medical record on the animal. So that's what that is.

And uhh so what it's stating is—is that the dog had presenting signs of uhh presenting signs, hit by car, limping right front leg, okay to x-ray, then call Janet. So basically what we allow them to do is to get the animal—to stabilized the animal. Get it out of pain if it's in any pain. Go ahead and take the x-rays and then let us know where we're at with that. So that's what they do.

Uhh, they're saying that the B.A.R. means bright and alert and responsive. Umm, so they're saying that the lungs were clear. Umm, that the dog was panting but maybe because there was stress. We don't know. Umm, normal hydration. Uhh, non-weight bearing lameness on the right front leg. Knuckling foot. Meaning that when they try to flip the foot over, then it would—would stay knuckled over. Uhh it wouldn't flip itself over. No obvious frac—fractures or luxations. Uhh let's see, then it—I mean it says no shoulder (Inaudible). They took the x-ray of it. And then the recommendations is what they give us. Umm (Inaudible); possible old injury.

Kessinger

Okay.

Gray

So what they're saying is it's a possible old injury.

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Kessinger

Okay.

Gray

And all the other stuff that people don't understand it just says possible

old injury.

Kessinger

Okay. So it came in February 3<sup>rd</sup> and you received a report back. This

dog was sent to Jefferson Animal Hospital?

Gray

It was sent to Jefferson Animal Hospital on the third. The report came—

was entered into Chameleon on the fourth.

Kessinger

Okay. So it was...

Gray

And then dog came back to us more than likely on the third. I can't

confirm because it doesn't say.

Kessinger

Okay. And then if we flip the back—to the back page here.

Gray

Okay. Looks like the dog was released to the owner umm on 2-14. Umm, it was given a rabies vaccine. Cause obviously wasn't current at the time

when it came to us.

Kessinger

Uh-huh.

Gray

So it has to be current on rabies when it leaves. Umm, and then it looks like it was picked back up on 8-29-13. Umm, it was noted that it had severe atrophy of the muscles in the right front leg; open sores on wrists umm where it hits the ground. So basically the dog's leg was like that.

Kessinger.

Okay.

Gray

Umm, and then on the 30<sup>th</sup> is when I did rounds. I didn't receive a treatment request or anything like that on it—on the dog. So I noted that no treatment request submitted; no after call—no after hour calls made to any vets staff. So what I did was I checked with the vets staff that was on call and I was like hey, you know, I don't remember who it was at that time, but we all just get together, and I'm like did you get a call on this? You know. Once you see it in the kennel, you're like did somebody call

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you on this? There's no notes on the computer on it. Umm, and then so you know they said no, nobody called us on it.

Gray

So, large—large scrape possibly from the licking of the leg. Umm, dog is holding—holding uhh leg, well it's supposed said leg, but it says lep up. Non-weight bearing. Old injury, muscle seem to look atrophied. And so we put it on some antibiotics; Eflexum, 500 mg. Umm, to make sure that sore that was there didn't get infected while it was here with us. And then it looked like on 9-6 it got kennel cough. And this is my doctor and she put it on some Doxycycline. And to be honest with you, I don't know when it went out to foster. I—I wasn't made aware that it was leaving or any of that.

Kessinger

Okay. Now when the dog first came to animal services, which was back in February of '13.

Gray

Uh-huh.

Kessinger

And then it looks like you don't see this dog again until August of 2013.

Gray

Uh-huh.

Kessinger

Can you explain to me how you know this is the same dog?

Gray

Well the dogs have microchips. When the dogs come in and it—and it leaves umm it's required to have a microchip. I don't—I mean I can say that most all dogs have to get a microchip. But the only thing is that they won't get it if the owner contests it. So umm because they're linked together the only assumption that I can assume is that the dog had a microchip. I can pull up the other animal I.D. on this animal I.D. And see if there is one back in the—in the you know the little—the little section that says microchip. I'm assuming that it—that's the reason why they—everything's linked together. Because you know it—each animal by ordinance, if they're not altered, they have to be altered and they get a microchip before they leave.

Kessinger

Okay. When this dog was brought in, at any time, did any of your staff recommend the dog be euthanized immediately due to the injuries?

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Gray Umm, I think that I did make a memo on something that said that the dog

should be euthanized. I—I can't—I mean I don't—I don't—I don't

have—you know what I mean—that in front of me.

Kessinger Uh-huh.

Gray So I'm not gonna say whether I did or whether didn't.

Kessinger Okay.

Gray You know what I mean?

Kessinger Right.

Gray But if I see a dog and I know that the dog's injured and we don't have a

rescue for it or anything like that...

Kessinger Uh-huh.

Gray ...it's very—you can't keep a dog here like that. Because it'll get sick and

it'll get worse. So either, you know, euthanized it or you get it out of the

shelter. You get it to a rescue or something like that.

Kessinger Okay. So for the dog not to be euthanized in—in this case would someone

fostering the dog would that keep it from getting euthanized? If someone

was to take the dog from here.

Gray Well yea. Yea, I mean, it wouldn't be here. So it wouldn't get

euthanized. If it's not here it's not going to get euthanized.

Kessinger Okay. But if the dog—if the dog was in—if the dog was suffering due to

an injury.

Gray If the dog was suffering, it never should have went out to a foster. You

know what I mean.

Kessinger Okay. In your medical records here, was the dog suffering prior to going

out to-to be fostered?

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Gray

I can tell you that no, I wouldn't have said the dog was suffering because of the notations that I make is that we put it on antibiotics. If—if—if—if the dog was in any sort of pain then we would have put it on pain medication. And the notes from Jefferson also indicate that there are—that there was no pain reflex in the animal. So, you know, that's why we work together with them so that everybody's on the same page and that we're doing exactly what's best for the animal.

Kessinger

Okay.

Gray

I would say that no, the animal was not in any distress or any pain at that time.

Kessinger

Okay. What—now the person who was providing foster care for the dog. Miss Adkins. Does she ever contact you directly telling you the dog was suffering or—or in severe pain and needed medical attention?

Gray

No. I didn't even know that the dog was in foster with her.

Kessinger

Okay so the time when the dog was being fostered and then turned over to The Arrow Fund, did you...?

Gray

The only time she had ever come to me was—the only—when I found out that she had the dog was when Margaret Brosko had come to me and said that she had called me one day and she said uhh do we have any doctors that volunteer their time with us that can amputate a leg? And I said well we do have Dr. Micah. But what she told me was is that we—the last time she amputated a leg for us, she said we needed new instruments—because ours were really dull—in order for her to do this. I said I can check and see how much the pack will cost, you know, and try and get a hold of her.

Well there was a three day period and I was not able to get a hold of her. And that's what I conveyed to Margaret Brosko. That I was not able to get a hold of her. And you know essentially there's no reason to buy this pack if I can't get a hold of her. Come to find out, Dr. Micah was actually out of state for two weeks and was taking boards or something like that. So I was never able to provide that service or even, you know, it wasn't even an option. At that point. Cause we don't have anybody who does that.

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Kessinger

Okay. If—if the dog goes out to be fostered.

Gray

Uh-huh.

Kessinger

And the dog needs medical attention. Those who have the care and

control of the dog, who do they contact?

Gray

Well they should have contacted vet staff. But none of that happened.

Kessinger

And when you say vet staff.

Gray

I'm—I'm—I'm talking about, you know, myself, you know, Dr. Congleton—Dr. Congleton, myself, Brenda Keel. You know, the people who—Brenda Keel's my clinic coordinator. So you know she's right underneath me. You know, of course we take all of our—Dr. Congleton is the one that we work directly underneath. Even though I'm her boss, she's still the one who holds the doctorate. You know what I mean. So what everything that we do is ran by her. You know, for confirmation and saying yes this is exactly right. This is what we want you to do. So we did not—none of that to my understanding I have never talked to her about the dog.

Kessinger.

Okay so no one ever contacted you?

Gray

No.

Kessinger

To say hey this dog is in need of having this surgery immediately?

Gray

No.

Kessinger

Cause I think there was just a span of time that elapsed where—did you

ever read the—the—emails or the letter from Miss Adkins?

Gray

The emails?

Kessinger

That—that was put on umm out in the media.

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Gray

I read it briefly. I glanced over it. But I try to stay away from a lot of that stuff just because it's—you know what I mean—it's not really positive.

Kessinger

Right. Okay. At any time did anyone contact to say hey this dog Sadie needs to have that leg amputated because it's suffering? Or in any pain?

Gray

The only time I was ever contacted by was for Margaret Brosko who asked if we had a doctor who could amputate the leg on this dog. I was not brought to my attention that the dog was suffering or was in any pain. Because at that time I would have told her to bring the dog in so that we could see the dog. If it's suffering or in pain, first off, I'm not gonna let a dog stay in pain. You know what I mean. I'm gonna either advise that you euthanize the dog if we can't do something right away with it. Cause that's my job. I'm not going to stay suffering.

Kessinger

Okay. And there's something called the Chameleon report.

Gray

Uh-huh.

Kessinger

Now when a dog is looked at, does each time the dog is seen by you or your staff, is it documented in Chameleon?

Gray

Theoretically yes, it should be. But you know as in every other department everybody is under-staffed. And I'm not going to say that people are perfect. So, you know. Every time that they're looked at I would say no. Every time that there's a problem. There's no reason for us to make notation if the dog's doing fine.

Kessinger

Now I know Miss Adkins had taken umm Sadie to her own personal vet. Where you ever consulted by the veterinarian, Dr. Stephanie Pollock or any other veterinarian?

Gray

No.

Kessinger

That—that saw Sadie?

Gray

No.

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Kessinger Were any medical records ever sent to you all from another—from another

veterinarian?

Gray I remember seeing an email that stated that there was a medical record.

But I don't recall whether that medical record was actually sent to us or if just said that she needed to get it. You know what I mean. So that we could put it with the dog. Anytime a foster takes animal out to their own vet, we request that they send us that medical records so that we would have a complete medical records. So I mean I honestly I can't—I don't

know. I don't recall, I don't remember seeing it.

Kessinger Okay. So the medical records you provided me from Jefferson Animal

Hospital and the ones that you all keep here...

Gray Right.

Kessinger Did you ever receive anything from East Bullitt Veterinarian Clinic to put

in with your medical records?

Gray Not to my recollection. I mean I don't remember getting anything like

that.

Kessinger Sergeant Laytham?

Laytham Yea. As far as—now the animals that are here at the facility is Louisville

Metro Animal Services. Who is responsible for the day to day care of

those animals?

Gray Who's responsible?

Laytham Yes.

Gray For the day to day care? In what element? I mean...

Laytham To make sure they're healthy.

Gray ...their cleaning? Feeding?

Laytham The whole thing. Who would be responsible?

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Gray Well animal care would be responsible for the cleaning of the kennels, the

disinfecting of the kennels, the, you know, removal of debris such as fecal matter umm and the feeding of the animals. The vet staff is responsible for making sure that everybody is bright, alert and responsive. Meaning

that there's nobody that's sick out there.

Laytham Okay.

Gray Vet staff is responsible for the animals that are in the kennel and their

health.

Laytham Okay so this entire staff is responsible for their care?

Gray Absolutely.

Laytham Is that fair to say? Now if an animal is out to foster care, who is

responsible for that animal's day to day care?

Gray The foster.

Laytham Okay. Alright. I don't have anything else.

Kessinger And again, I just want to follow up with what Sergeant Laytham said, if

there's any medical attention that needs uhh if there's anything, any attention that needs to be addressed by a Veterinarian and it's being

fostered.

Gray Uh-huh.

Kessinger Do you—that's the foster's responsibility? Correct? To contact you all

for any medical?

Gray The foster would actually contact the foster coordinator. Because they're

the person who should have essentially sent the animal out in the foster. We don't send animals out into foster. We just take care of the animals as

they're here.

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If they go out into foster and it's a medical need, a lot of times they'll ask us, you know, umm can we send this animal out to foster. Generally, if the animal is sick I'm gonna say no. If the animal is injured, I'm gonna say no. You can't send it out to foster because we don't know how these people take care of the animal. So it's not a general practice to send an animal out with an injured leg or any of those things to foster. It's a general practice if they have an upper respiratory or they have something, you know, mild wrong with them, then we'll send them out. Or if they are a neo-nate and they're a small kitten that has to be bottle fed, then we'll send those out. But it is absolutely not general practice for us to send something out that has injury like a leg.

Kessinger

Is there anything that you would like to state for the record before we end?

Gray

I don't know. I mean I, you know, I kinda read that little thing a little bit that was in the media. But I don't—I mean it's just an opinion of somebody. It's just—that's all it is an opinion. It's not I don't think that there's a lot a fact to it. I think that there's a lot emotions to it. But facts and emotions don't equivel—you know aren't equivalent to what necessarily took place. So, you know, I don't uhh you know if—if we're talking about Heather Adkins, uhh I mean there was several times that I know—all I can tell you is—is my dealings with that person. And I can tell you that that person didn't want to bring fosters back into CS because she thought that was going to euthanize everything. And be the case. It may be the case because that's the unfortunate thing that we have to do. That's—those are the choices that we have to make. And I would rather euthanize something than have it die in your home. And that—that's it.

Kessinger

Sergeant Laytham?

Laytham

Now you think it would be fair to say the majority of Louisville Metro Animal Services personnel are aware that there is an investigation in this matter?

Gray

Absolutely.

Laytham

Okay. And has anyone told you to say you know what not to say?

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Gray

No.

Laytham

Or what to say during these uhh interviews?

Gray

No.

Laytham

Okay.

Kessinger

Is everything you told me the truth to the best of your knowledge?

Gray

Yes.

Kessinger

We will now conclude this statement. The time is now 12:42 hours.

#### END OF STATEMENT

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/jkc

### SADIE'S MEDICAL HISTORY

57.60LBS DOG BLUE/WHITE F PIT BULL A485350

11/03/14

02/03/13

**EXAM -INTAKE** 

**BROKEN LIMB** 

57.60LBS

Treated by: JLD

Temp:

Indicate WNL (Normal) or note any Abnormal observations

Behavior VERY FRIENDLY DOG Appearance CLEAN, WELL KEPT

Skin WNL

Eyes WNL

Ears/Nose WNL

Movement NON-WEIGHT BEARING ON LF LEG, POSSIBLE BROKEN, SENT TO JAH

Mouth/Teeth VERY GOOD

Anal/Genital WNL

Heart/Lungs

**PYRANTEL** 

DAPP

**BORD IN** 

#### 02/04/13

**EXAM - DIAGNO** 

**LIMBS** 

52.00LBS

Treated by: JLD

Temp:0.00

ort from Jefferson Animal Hospital:

Date: 02/03/13

Doctor: Dr. Cheever

Presenting Signs: HBC limping right front leg ok to x-ray then call Janet.

Exam: BAR-mm pink. Normal mentation. Normal sinus rhythm - Clear lungs/panting. Good body condition score and normal hydration.

Normal abdominal palpation, mild nipple development.

LN's WNL.

Non-weight bearing lameness R FL, knuckling foot. Dropped carriage of leg at the shoulder. Mild abraision injury lateral aspect of elbow. Mild bruising noted R axillary region. No pain with palpation of limb. No crepitus or obvious fx.

Diagnostics: X-ray: AP distal FL's, R lat R FL - No obvious fx or luxations. Increased opacity mid R radius, possible nutrient foramen vs healed fx. No shoulder views.

Diagnosis: R FL lameness, neuro deficits, R/O brachial plexus avulsion, traumatic IVDD, open.

Recommendations/Plan: LMM w/Janet: relayed no fxs, susp neuropathy likely secondary to brachial plexus avulsion. Possible old injury, mid R radius, ie healing hairline fx vs normal anatomy. Rec cage confinement and observation. May require amputation if permanent deficits especially if self traumatizing from trying to walk on foot incorrectly.

# Jefferson Animal Hospital and Emergency Center

4504 Outer Loop \* Louisville, KY 40219 \* (502) 966-4104

DATE: 2/3/2013

DIAGNOSTIC / EMERGENCY EXAM

Pit Bull HBC

**CLIENT# 51047** 

**PATIENT # 71086** 

**RDVM: Jefferson Animal Hospital** 

Dr. Patricia L. Kennedy

Metro Animal Services Metro **Animal Services** 

3705 Manslick Rd 40215

Pit Bull Female

Phone: (502) 966-4104

(502) 574-5524

Doctor:

Cheever

Blue 1 Yrs. 6 Mos.

Fax: (502) 966-3904

Email:

Microchip:

Weight: Temp: Tech: Appt: Rec: Time: 52#2oz c/a ses

#### PRESENTING SIGNS:

HBC limping right front leg ok to Xray then call Janet at 797-3518

### **CURRENT MEDICATIONS / DIET / HISTORY:**

(DS 0-4, BCS 1-9, Pain Score P0-P6)

Updated: 2/3/2013, CURRENT and PRIOR MEDICAL HX: HBC limping RFL, CURRENT MEDS: none, OHW/ FLEA MEDS: , VACCINES/TESTINGS: , DIET: , APPETITE: , OWNED SINCE: , HABITAT **EXPOSURE:** 

#### **DOCTOR EXAM COMMENTS:**

BAR-mm pink. N mentation.

Normal sinus rhythm- Clear lungs/panting

Good body condition score and normal hydration

Normal abdominal palpation, mild nipple development.

LN's WNL

Nonweight bearing lameness R FL, knuckling foot. Dropped carriage of leg at the shoulder. Mild abrasion injury lateral aspect of elbow. Mild bruising noted R axillary region. No pain with palpation of limb. No crepitus or obvious fx.

#### **RESULTS:** DIAGNOSTICS / LAB / RADS:

FL

X-ray: AP distal FL's, R lat R No obvious fx or luxations. Increased opacity mid R radius, possible nutrient foramen vs healed fx. No shoulder views.

**DDX:** R FL lameness, neuro deficits R/O brachial plexus avulsion, traumatic IVDD, open

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CLIENT RECOMMENDATIONS / PLAN:

LMM w/ Janet at MAS #797-3518: relayed no fxs, susp neuropathy likely secondary to brachial plexus avulsion. Possible old injury, mid R radius, ie healing hairline fx vs normal anatomy. Rec cage confinement and observation. May require amputation if permanent deficits especially if self traumatizing from trying to Dr. Cheever walk on foot incorrectly.

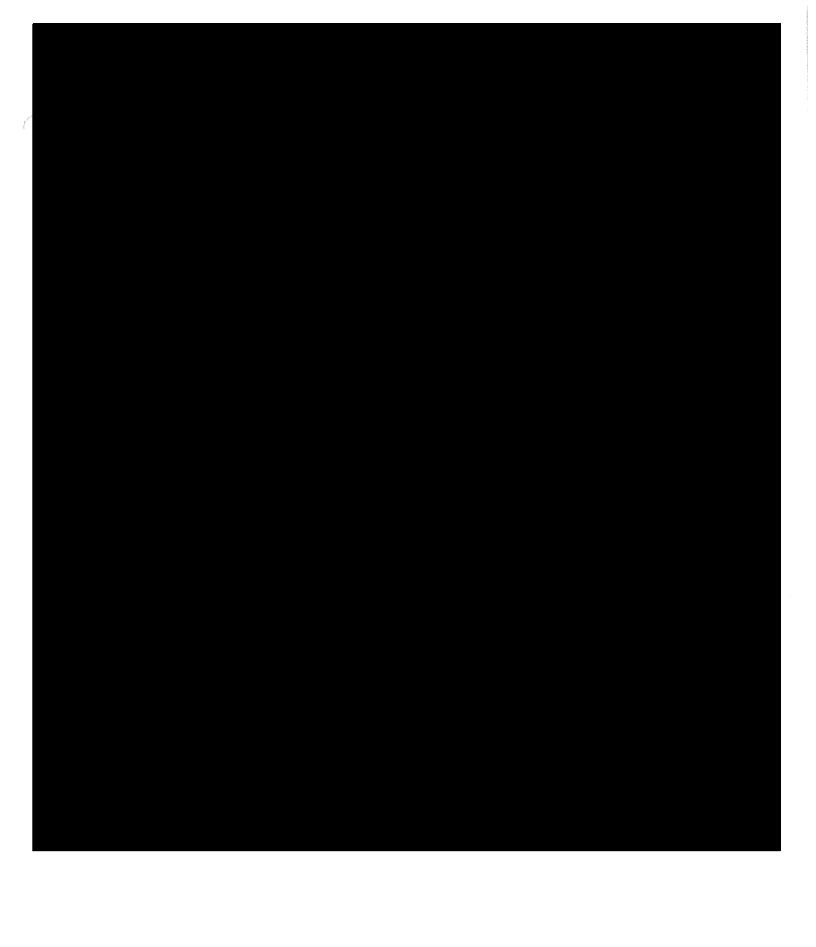
Sent dog with copy of radiographs. Transported back to MAS by Metro officer.

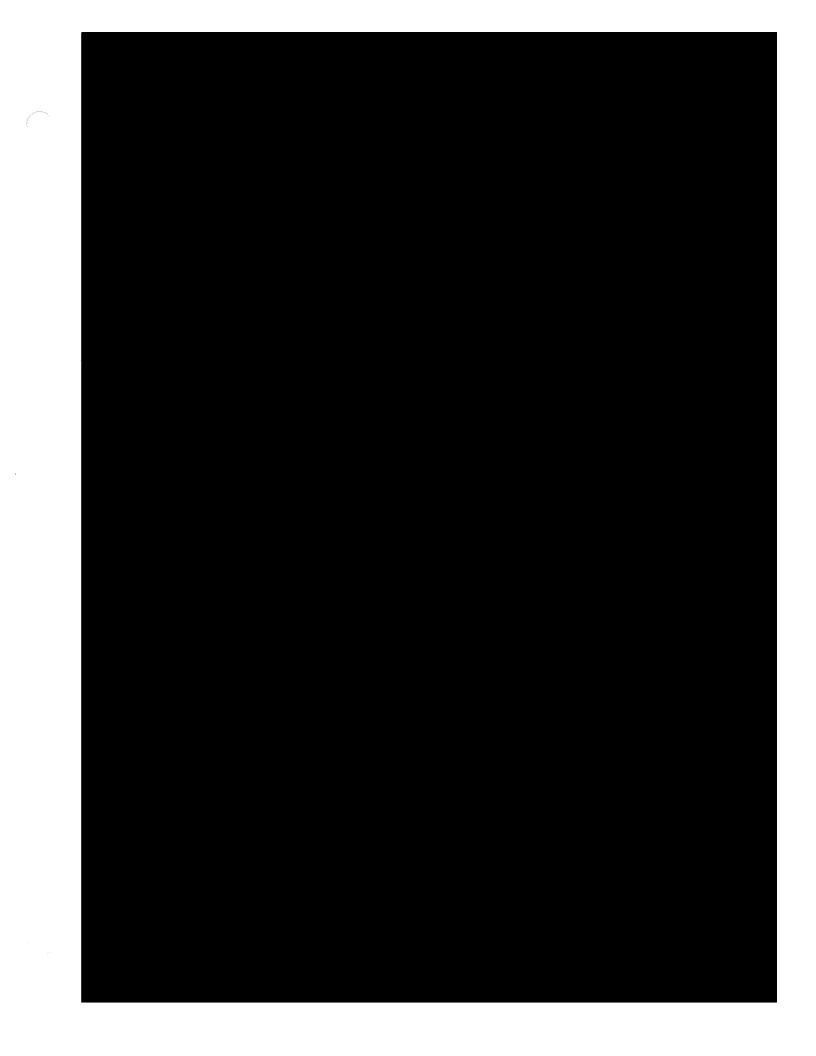
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#### Allen, Dee Q

From:

Adkins, Heather

Sent:

Wednesday, November 13, 2013 4:37 PM

To:

Brosko, Margaret A; Gray, Tabitha L

Subject:

vet info

I wanted to send you my vet's name and number, because I'm pretty sure when she quoted \$575, that covers everything including equipment, pain meds, board, etc, so we wouldn't be responsible for any extra costs or ordering anything extra for the surgery. If you wanted to open conversation with her about it. :)

Dr. Stephanie Pollett

### Kessinger, Chad A

From:

Adkins, Heather

Sent:

Saturday, November 16, 2013 11:45 AM

To:

Brosko, Margaret A; Gray, Tabitha L

Subject:

Sadie

Any decision on her amputation yet? My vet is willing to do it ASAP, and if I need to cover some of the surgery costs to get this done, I will happily do it. I came home yesterday to her having broken through her ecollar and chewed on her paw again—a bloody, gross mess. This arm needs to go :(





