



# PET DENTAL CARE

**MOST PET DENTAL DISEASE** occurs below the gum line, where you can't see it. Your pet's teeth and gums should be checked at least once a year by your veterinarian to check for early signs of a problem and to keep your pet's mouth healthy. Have your pet's teeth checked sooner if you observe any problems with your pet's mouth, such as broken teeth, pain, or difficulty when eating.

**DENTAL CLEANING** includes scaling (to remove dental plaque and tartar) and polishing, similar to the process used on your own teeth during your regular dental cleanings.

**ANESTHESIA** makes it possible to perform the dental procedures with less stress, pain, and risk of injury for your pet.

**REGULARLY BRUSHING** your pet's teeth is the single most effective thing you can do to keep their teeth healthy between dental cleanings, and may reduce the frequency or even eliminate the need for periodic dental cleaning by your veterinarian.

**TALK WITH YOUR VETERINARIAN** about any dental products, treats, or dental-specific diets you're considering for your pet, or ask your veterinarian for their recommendation.