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## How Your Dog Knows When You're Sick, Even Before You



If you're convinced your doggy BFF knows when you're feeling under the weather, you're probably exactly right. Most dogs, whether they show it or not, can sense changes in their humans that indicate something's not quite right.

For example, when you're dealing with a cold or sinus issues or a stomach bug or even a toothache, your dog's super sense of smell will pick up immediately on a change in your scent. Changes in the **tone of your voice**, your energy level or the sounds you make (e.g., coughing, sneezing, etc.) will not go unnoticed, either.

A friend of mine adopted a little dog a while back and then proceeded to have one annoying health issue after another during the dog's first few years with her. Peanut is part **Chihuahua**, and true to his breed is very protective of his human. To this day, if my friend heads to her bed for any reason other than at bedtime — to nap or read or watch TV — little Peanut gets anxious and is right on her heels.

He gets up on the bed by whatever means necessary and stretches out on her chest

with his face close to hers to get a read on the situation. After he studies her for a minute or two, he climbs to his "post" on a pillow above her head, and there he stays until she's up and moving again.

### Your Dog's Nose Knows

Of all the canine senses, it's your dog's nose above all else that provides her with an encyclopedic amount of information throughout her life. Inside your own nose are about 6 million olfactory receptors that allow you to recognize thousands of different smells.<sup>1</sup> It sounds like a lot, until you realize that inside your dog's nose there are up to 300 million such receptors.

While you can detect certain odors in parts per billion, you dog can detect them in parts per trillion. Plus, she has a part of her brain devoted to analyzing smells that's about 40 times larger, proportionally, than the same area in your brain.<sup>2</sup> This explains why your **dog's sense of smell** is anywhere from 10,000 to 100,000 times more acute than your own, which, let's face it, is nothing short of amazing. As reported by NOVA:

*"... [I]n her book 'Inside of a Dog,' Alexandra Horowitz, a dog-cognition researcher at Barnard College, writes that while we might notice if our coffee has had a teaspoon of sugar added to it, a dog could detect a teaspoon of sugar in a million gallons of water, or two Olympic-sized pools worth. Another dog scientist likened their ability to catching a whiff of one rotten apple in two million barrels."<sup>3</sup>*

Dogs can detect subtle differences in the breath, urine, skin, blood and feces of cancer patients, allowing them to detect certain cancers with up to 97% accuracy. In one study, dogs were able to **detect or rule out lung and breast cancer**, at all stages of the disease with about 90% accuracy, just by sniffing breath samples.

Even more remarkable, the dogs used for the study were "ordinary household dogs" who received only three weeks of training beforehand. In another study, a black lab named Marine was able to detect colon cancer with 25% greater accuracy than the routinely used fecal occult blood test.<sup>4</sup>

In addition, research indicates that dogs are able to detect prostate-cancer-specific volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in the urine of prostate cancer patients with 98% accuracy.<sup>5</sup> Medical detection dogs and medical alert assistance dogs are also being trained to detect medical crises before they happen, alerting patients so they can seek help for **changes in blood sugar levels**, seizures, severe allergic responses, sleep walking and narcolepsy.

### Your Dog Can Even Sniff Out Changes in Your Mood

A 2017 study revealed that dogs also use their talented noses to sense our emotions.<sup>6</sup> And once your canine companion sniffs out your mood, he adjusts his own accordingly.

It has been scientifically proven that dogs can see and hear human emotions, but until this study, no one knew for certain they also use their incredible sense of smell to inform them about how their humans are feeling. It actually makes perfect sense when you consider that unlike people who typically respond most often to what they see, dogs lead with their noses and respond most often to what they smell.

For the study, a team of researchers set out to answer the question, "Do human body odors (chemosignals) produced under emotional conditions of happiness and fear provide information that is detectable by pet dogs (Labrador and golden retrievers)?"

Eight human volunteers watched a 25-minute video designed to provoke emotional states of either fear or happiness. The volunteers' sweat was collected on pads as they watched the video, and then the samples were pooled to obtain composite "fear sweat" and "happiness sweat" samples. There was also an unscented control sample.

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for the October issue is  
September 10**

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## How Your Dog....from p. 1

Next, 40 Labs and Golden Retrievers were fitted with heart rate monitors and each dog was placed in a small room with his owner and a stranger who had not provided a sweat sample. The two people were seated, reading magazines and not purposely interacting with the dog. The samples (either fear or happy sweat, or no scent) were diffused into the room from an open vial containing the sweat pads. The dogs were able to sniff the vial itself but couldn't directly touch the pads.

Behind the scenes, for five-minute periods the researchers evaluated the dogs' heart rate, **body language**, movements toward and away from the owner and the stranger, and stress-related behaviors. The goal was to learn whether the dogs would show a consistent set of behaviors in response to the three conditions.

## Study Says: The Smell of Human Fear Stresses Dogs Out and Makes Them Fearful as Well

The dogs exposed to the happy sweat sample had fewer and shorter interactions with their owners, and more interactions with the strangers in the room. This indicates they felt relaxed enough to check out strangers and didn't need to seek reassurance from their owners.

The dogs exposed to the fear sweat sample displayed more frequent and longer-lasting **stress-related behaviors**, in some cases, for the entire five-minute period. These dogs also sought out their owners rather than the strangers, indicating they were looking for reassurance because they felt stressed.

The dogs exposed to the fear sweat sample also had consistently higher heart rates than the dogs exposed to the happy sweat sample and the control sample.

*"While the dogs were clearly responding emotionally to the scent of fear," writes dog expert Stanley Coren, Ph.D., "it seemed as though their response mirrored the emotion that they were detecting in that they were acting in a fearful manner themselves. There was no evidence of aggression toward either the owner, the stranger, or the scent dispensing apparatus."*

Researchers are well aware of the role stress plays in canine disease, so perhaps something we all should ask ourselves is how long-term exposure to human stress and emotional imbalances in the home (fear, anger, frustration, etc.) impact the health and happiness of our dogs without our knowledge.

## Dementia In Dogs: Does Your Dog Have Canine Cognitive Dysfunction?

By: Dr Edward Bassingthwaight -

Just like you, your dog's brain ages and wears out just like the rest of the body.

In some dogs, the brain wears out quicker than in others. This causes a spectrum of symptoms that we call Canine Cognitive Dysfunction (CCD), or simply, dementia in dogs.

The degenerative changes in the brain tissue that result in dementia in dogs are not well understood. We do know that the number of nerve cells reduces as dogs age. A build up of neurotoxic deposits in the brain (such as beta-amyloids) may also be a contributing factor.

High levels of toxic free radicals also appear to be linked to a decline in cognitive function.

So, how common is dementia in dogs and how do you know if your dog has it?

How Common Is Dementia In Dogs?

More common than you probably realize!

In one study, approximately **50% of dogs** over 11 years of age displayed at least one sign of CCD. Another study showed that **68% of dogs** between 15 and 16 years of age may show at least one sign of CCD.

Another important thing to note is that CCD is a progressive disease. More than half of the dogs with at least one clinical sign will develop more symptoms within 12 months.

The older your dog, the more likely he is to develop CCD. That said, giant breeds age more quickly and may develop CCD as early as 5 to 7 years old. Also, it seems that neutered dogs have a slightly higher risk.

How To Spot Canine Cognitive Dysfunction

Dementia in dogs can be easy to miss for a couple of reasons:

**#1 CCD is very slow to develop.** The symptoms come on so slowly that they just seem to be part of the normal.

*Do things with your old dog: simple games, gentle training sessions, intentional touch and regular light exercise.*

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#2 There's a **myth** that it's normal for old dogs to get a bit strange. Many people write it off as a 'normal' part of the aging process (it isn't).

So how can you tell if your dog has CCD?

We'll use the acronym "DISHA" and look at the symptoms in 5 categories.

- 1. Disorientation:** This can include staring into space or getting lost in familiar surroundings (not being able to find his way in and out of the house, getting stuck in corners or under tables). Your old friend may seem confused all of the time. Some dogs will forget they've been fed. You may also see anxiety develop with a range of triggers. He may start barking at nothing. Continual pacing is another common symptom.
- 2. Interactions:** Your old dog's ability to maintain healthy relationships may decline. He may either show decreased affection or become overly attached and stick to a particular person like glue. Some will become irritable and grumpy.
- 3. Sleep-wake cycle alterations:** This is where sundowner syndrome can kick in. Your old friend may start to become unsettled in the evenings or all through the night. Some dogs won't sleep at all and others will wake often, be restless, etc. They will often bark in the night for no apparent reason. And sometimes they'll sleep all day and be up all night, wanting your attention.
- 4. Housetraining:** Your dog may forget all his house training and start messing in the house. This can also happen because he can't find his way outside at all, or in time. You may also see a lack of response to commands and an inability to perform tasks that he once could do with ease.
- 5. Activity:** Your old friend may not want to do anything much at all (sometimes not even eat). On the flip side, you're likely to see restless behavior with continual pacing or aimless wandering around. Some dogs will develop obsessive compulsive behaviors like licking floors.

Yes, dementia in dogs is a progressive, degenerative disease. It gets worse over time, BUT there's plenty you can do to slow it down, and often reduce or sometimes even clear the symptoms altogether.

*In one study, approximately 50% of dogs over 11 years of age may display at least one sign of CCD.*

Keep an eagle eye out for any symptoms. If you see any subtle signs, it's time to kick into overdrive and take action. **I can't stress enough that the prognosis is good if CCD is diagnosed early, and poorer if diagnosed late.**

The sooner you act, the better the results will be.

In terms of delaying the onset of CCD or perhaps preventing it altogether, you should have your old dog on a healthy, complete, vital, whole foods diet. Raw is usually best, but some older dogs do better on a home cooked diet if their digestive fires are burning low.

**[RELATED]** Want to know more about raw feeding or how to help an older dog switch to raw? [Check out this post.](#)

And consider adding some (or all) of the following supplements:

- High quality **omegas-3s**.
- Give plenty of **vital antioxidants** (these help lower toxic free radical levels in the body). One great [antioxidant supplement](#) is blueberries. Another is green tea steeped in cold water for 12 hours.
- **CBD oil** is the best medicine I've ever seen for dementia in dogs. I had one dog who had kept his mum awake every night for a year sleep through the night after just 3 days on CBD. I have consistently seen obvious reductions in symptoms with the use of [CBD oil](#).
- **PEA (Palmitoylethanolamide)** is another non-toxic, natural and highly effective medicine that can be used alone or alongside CBD oil.
- I have found that many dogs with dementia have significant undiagnosed pain (usually from arthritis or back pain). When treated with appropriate pain relief, the

symptoms often improve significantly. **Natural medicines** such as [turmeric \(golden paste\)](#) and green mussel extract can make a big difference.

*Please note: if your old dog is nearing the end, palliative use of any and all prescription pain relief medications that help may be indicated.*

Other supplements that are of value include:

- SAME (S-Adenosylmethionine)
- Ginkgo Biloba
- Melatonin
- Vitamins C, and E
- B Vitamins
- Gotu Kola
- Resveratrol
- Valerian root

Hands-on bodywork can be a huge help with increasing quality of life by reducing anxiety and pain while increasing connection. **Acupuncture or acupressure** with Traditional Chinese herbs can be a great support.

There are also a host of proprietary remedies out there in the wild. I encourage you to seek the assistance of a holistic vet or a skilled animal naturopath to make sure that you give your old friend the best treatments for his needs.

And last, but definitely not least, is **enrichment and gentle exercise and affection**. Do things with your old dog: simple games, gentle training sessions, intentional touch and regular light exercise. Be sure to keep the house uncluttered and all the furniture in the same place. And enjoy every moment, with heaps of love, tons of cuddles and a heart full of compassion!

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She has been showing three of her dogs very successfully in Conformation and Performance Events.

She is not a breeder, but has raised several litters which she has co-owned with Hilde Haakensen.

Lisa attends 20+ dog events a year, most recently Schnauzerpalooza 19 where she helped out with Agility Top 25 Event.

She belongs to Atlanta Obedience Club, (Agility Trial Chair for years), Canine Capers Agility (Hospitality for AKC Shows),

AMSC 2016-2017 (membership accidentally lapsed). Lisa is interested in helping our club out with Rescue, Membership, Agility, Barn Hunt, Rally and Fast Cat. She has excellent computer skills, and is a people person.

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Vicki has been involved with Miniature Schnauzers for 16 years. She currently owns seven (7).

She is a breeder and breeds occasionally for her own line. She has bred 2 litters. She is showing in conformation. She attends 8 events a year.

She belongs to the Cactus State Miniature Schnauzer Club, Glendale, AZ and has held offices as Director, Show Chairman, Membership, and is currently President.

Vicki is retired. She would like to assist our club with Public Awareness and Education.

She has experience in Computer Skills and Leadership Skills.

**Vicki's sponsors are: Dee Ann Simpson and Ginny Fagan**

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Lisa has been involved with Miniature Schnauzers all her life and just started showing them for past 6 years. She is a breeder and has had 7 litters.

She competes in Conformation, and attends 6-7 events each year. Lisa belongs to James River Kennel Club, Lynchburg, VA., where she serves as Secretary and Corresponding Secretary.

She works as a Receptionist/Assistant at Seven Hills Animal Hospital, in Forest, VA.

She is interested in Newsletter, Electronic Media, Education, and Membership.

Lisa has excellent social and people skills and is willing to help the club wherever she is needed.

**Lisa's Sponsors are: Terrie Houck and Andy Deer**

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Rich has been involved with Miniature Schnauzers since 1983 and has been a breeder since 2001. Rich is a past member of the AMSC. Rich wants to be a member of the AMSC to contribute to the betterment of the breed and the operation of the club and is willing to be an AMSC Board Member. He has read the Code of Ethics and the Breed Standard and agrees to comply and support both. Rich is a breeder of Miniature Schnauzers and has had 3 litters in the past 5 years. He has been involved in Conformation and Breeding. Rich attends at least 10 events per year. He belongs to the Mount Vernon Miniature Schnauzer Club and has served as that club's President, Vice President and Treasurer. He has never been disciplined or suspended by the AKC, UKC or any other Dog Club. Rich is employed as an Engineer.

**Rich's sponsors are: Terrie Houck and Cathy Rohrer.**

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He is not a member of a local club. Alex is employed as a business owner.

He is interested in helping our club with Rescue, Electronic Media, Education, Membership, Obedience and Diabetic Alert Service Dog Training. His special skills are in Teaching of: Diabetic Alert Service Dog Training, Grooming and Stripping, Show Handling.

**Alexander's Sponsors are: Nadine Seals Tare and Valerie Bosco**



Let me show you how we do it...!

## New Research: Does Neutering Help With Aggression?

By: [Jessica Peralta](#) -

Most pet owners have undoubtedly heard the following statement at some point in their lives: Fixing your dog will make him less aggressive.

It's an idea so often restated – even by veterinarians – that many of us accept it as undeniable fact.

But is it? Does neutering help with aggression?

Some recent studies say no.

In fact, a [new study](#) released earlier this year found mostly negative behaviors in neutered male dogs.

Neutering Can Make Behavior Worse

According to [Dr Stanley Coren](#), professor of psychology at the University of British Columbia:

*“As in previous studies, the new data clearly shows that the positive behavioral effects which were expected from neutering did not occur, and if anything, the behaviors of neutered male dogs tended to be considerably less desirable... Of the 100 behaviors assessed, 40 showed statistically significant differences between the castrated and intact dogs. Only four of these behaviors showed a more positive outcome as a result of neutering.”*

Some of the negative behaviors found in neutered male dogs in the study included:

- Rather than reduced aggression, the neutered male dogs in the study were found more likely to show aggression when strangers such as delivery workers were near the home, when the dog was approached by an unknown female dog and when small animals entered the yard.
- The study also found that the behaviors were worse in dogs that were neutered earlier.
- The neutered dogs also demonstrated more fear-based behaviors like reactions to loud noises and new situations.
- Intact dogs were less likely to eat feces – either their own or another dog's. They were also less likely to roll in feces or other smelly things.
- Intact dogs were also less likely to bark persistently when they became alarmed.
- Intact dogs were less likely to mount objects, furniture or people.
- Intact dogs were also less likely to chase animals.

*“The pattern of these results is quite clear: Neutering male dogs causes an increase in aggressive behavior, fearful behavior, over-excitability and a variety of other miscellaneous, undesirable behaviors,” wrote Coren. “What is also clear is that early neutering produces an even greater negative effect on behaviors.”*

Are There Any Behavioral Benefits to Neutering?

According to the study, there were a few:

- Intact dogs were more likely to howl when left alone than neutered dogs.
- Intact dogs were more likely to mark indoors.
- Intact dogs were less likely to return immediately when called while off-leash.
- Intact dogs were less likely to fetch.

**[RELATED]** [Do you even need to spay or neuter your dog? Society may say yes, but you shouldn't always listen.](#)

Why The Need To Neuter?

According to the study, “The beneficial effects of gonadectomy are underpinned by the need to reduce the number of unwanted companion animals.”

And we've heard this before. It's not a secret that thousands of dogs are euthanized because of over-crowding in shelters. Rescue organizations across the world work hard to find these dogs home, but not all are lucky enough to find one.

The problem is, [many of those dogs are surrendered to shelters](#) because of undesirable behaviors such as aggression. These dogs end up in the shelter and the push for neutering continues.

The current study highlights this issue. The long-held belief that neutering will help curb aggression coupled with the need to reduce the number of unwanted dogs means people are quick to head to the vet for this procedure. This, the study suggests, can actually increase the problem, in turn making them more vulnerable to ending up in a shelter.

**[RELATED]** [Spaying or neutering can have an impact on health as well as behavior. Here are some benefits of waiting.](#)

And That Isn't All

There's [another study](#) (*The Social Behaviour of Neutered Male Dogs Compared to Intact Dogs (Canis lupus familiaris): Video Analyses, Questionnaires and Case Studies*) that found more examples of anxious behaviors in neutered dogs compared to intact dogs. The study also found that owners of intact dogs who were surveyed reported higher scores for “boldness” and “sociability to dogs.”

Once again, neutered dogs were found to be easier to train, according to the surveyed owners.

According to the researchers:

*“The knowledge to be gained is very important for present and future dog owners as well as veterinarians with particular reference to the fact that neutering of dogs has become part of ‘responsible ownership’ in many countries, which according to our results might not be so responsible at all, at least not in all cases. Understanding long-term effects of the procedure on dog [behavior] will be essential for deciding whether or not to neuter a dog, especially since it is often done not to prevent breeding but precisely to change [behavioral] aspects of a pet. Even now we could go so far as to advise dog owners against neutering with the intent to correct undesired habits because the lack of verifiable difference in and of itself is enough to question the justifiability of such a drastic intervention, at least until more information can be provided on the [behavioral] changes induced by gonadectomy.”*

We have long supported the need to, at the very least, wait until a dog has fully matured before choosing to spay or neuter. There is a lot of [research](#) that supports the health benefits of this approach. Now, thanks to these new studies, we can see there may be behavioral benefits as well.

[Jessica Peralta](#)

Jessica Peralta has been a journalist for over 15 years and an animal lover all her life. She has had dogs, cats, birds, turtles, fish, frogs, and rabbits. Her current children are a German shepherd named Guinness and a black domestic cat called Derby. It's because of them that she decided to become a pet nutritionist and focus her journalistic career on the world of holistic animal care. She loves spending time with them

**American Miniature Schnauzer Club**

**Final Ballot for Selection of Judges for Spring and Fall 2021 Specialties**

The nominees who received the most nomination points, and have indicated a willingness to accept an assignment, if selected, are listed below in alphabetical order. Please vote for **THREE (3) Judges for Regular Classes and THREE (3) judges for Sweepstakes Classes**. List your choice as 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup>, for both Regular and Sweepstakes Classes. **IF THESE INSTRUCTIONS ARE NOT FOLLOWED YOUR BALLOT WILL BE INVALID.**

This Ballot provides a place for two members of the same household to vote. Members living in the same household will receive only one ballot. However, any person who wishes a separate ballot, may request one from the Chairperson of the Judges Selection Committee.

**VOTE FOR 3    1<sup>st</sup> = 3 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> = 2 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> = 1 point**

**Regular Classes**

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**PEE WEE TIME: IT'S A KEEPER**  
**SYLVIA THOMAS, Delegate, Kennel Club Of Riverside**

Show of hands- how many of you are holding a Pee Wee event as part of your shows? If not, I'd be curious about what's keeping you from joining the fun. The Pee Wee event takes minimal effort on the part of the show-giving club and reaps a maximum return as evidenced by the joy on the faces of the youngsters and all who happily watch, cheer the youngsters on, and revel in the fun. While my Club has made the commitment to host the event annually at our show, I had not had the pleasure of being in the ring with the youngsters until recently, acting as the "judge" of the event. Working with each of the children, and sometimes, a parent or grandparent, was pure joy. As one of the spectators remarked, "It was hard to tell who was having more fun, the kids or you!" She was so right. Working

with each of the children, who on this day ranged in age from close to 5 to 8 years of age, was delightful. Each of the children was very engaged, curious, and genuinely had a pretty good idea of what was expected. Of course the skill level varied, but what each had in common was an obvious interest in being with their dogs and, as evidenced by the expressions on their faces, each enjoyed the experience. The other thing to be noted was several of the children sat ringside either waiting for their turn and/or the pizza party that was to follow, but while doing so, they cheered and clapped for the other children as they came into the ring, and went through the exercise of showing their dogs. So, what did it take to have this event? Certainly, a willingness on the part of the Club to

host the event, find a "judge", buy rosettes, pizza and avocado. Thank you, Karen Dorn, Delegate Dandie Dinmont Terrier Club of America, for serving as my ring steward and adding to the merriment. Each of the children also received a bag of "goodies" (optional) that included bubbles, crayons, a coloring book, and pencils. What did we all receive in return? A bunch of kids who had a great time. Beyond that, my guess is we fostered and encouraged a number of soon-to-be Juniors who will already have a pretty good idea of what is expected, but more importantly, we have a number of children who have learned that being with their dogs, showing them, and making some new friends is part of spending time at a dog show! If you haven't tried it, I encourage you to hold a Pee Wee event at your next opportunity. I promise, you will love it!

**AMSC Annual Montgomery Reception/ Member Meeting Reservation Form**

Sat. Oct. 5, 2018 at the host hotel, Homewood Suites, 6  
 Reception is from 6:30 PM to 9 PM "\$20.00 per person"

Member Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name if known \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of reservations \_\_\_\_\_

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### AMSC SPECIALTIES

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 Sweepstakes Classes - Carla Nickerson

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 Sacramento, CA  
 Regular Classes - Mrs Marcia Feld  
 Sweepstakes - Gail Wilford

Montgomery County 2020  
 Regular classes - Mrs Bergit Kabel  
 Sweepstakes - Cheryl Coffman

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