

Hope Notes Autumn 2010

Dear Friends,

We hope that this newsletter finds you and your animal companions well. We are excited to let you know about some changes and new service expansions at Hope Vet!

NEW ADDITION TO OUR TEAM

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Konstantine Barsky has joined the Hope Vet team. We have known and respected Dr. Barsky for many years. He has finally settled down in New York, his home town, and we are delighted that he is joining us full time. Dr. Barsky is a graduate of Ross and Cornell Colleges of Veterinary Medicine. He shares a strong commitment to the values of animal welfare and holistic medicine that we hold at our core.

HOUSE CALLS ON BIKES

Hope Vet started out as a house call practice, with our vets riding bicycles to clients' homes. Dr. Barsky is enthusiastically returning us to our roots! He is now offering routine house calls via bicycle, initially on Wednesdays, within a 5 mile radius from our clinic. Please call if you would like further details, or would like to schedule an appointment. Help support green veterinary medicine!

STEM CELL THERAPY

Hope Vet now has the ability to offer regenerative, or stem cell medicine. Stem cells are multipotent, which means they can differentiate into other tissue such as tendon, bone and cartilage. Currently, stem cells are utilized to aid in the treatment of osteoarthritis, ligament injuries and immune mediated arthritis. The stem cells are surgically harvested from the animal's own adipose (fat) tissue, sent to the Vet-Stem laboratory where they are concentrated and sent back to the veterinarian for injection into the affected site. In clinical studies, over 80% of owners report improvement of varying degrees. For more information, please contact us or visit vet-stem.com.

HOPE VET GETS SOCIAL - SOCIAL MEDIA, THAT IS!

Hope Vet is now available on Facebook and Twitter. Please follow our new Facebook and Twitter pages, so we can keep you informed about health issues, new treatment options and important regional health alerts such as infectious disease outbreaks. We promise to keep it relevant, and not to overwhelm your inboxes! We do value your feedback, and invite you to post on our Wall, and to explore the videos and other resources we'll be making available on our Facebook page. First up: instructional videos on how to brush your pet's teeth!

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All best wishes,

Your Hope Vet team