

## Do you have any doubts?

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Pet: \_\_\_\_\_

Decision making for End of Life pets can be difficult. Many families and pet parents need reassurance and guidance when making the decision for euthanasia v/s continued care. There are many factors involved: emotional, spiritual beliefs, suffering of the pet, the care giver's physical ability in caring for a compromised pet, especially if a large pet's mobility is compromised, and, unfortunately but realistically, financial concerns, to name a few. We are here to help you assess your pet's condition and help to give you certainty that you are making the right decision one way or the other. If you have ANY doubts as to whether or not you are making the right decision, we can discuss this, do a physical examination on your pet and give you the options available, to the best of our ability. The doctor who will come to your home for your pet's euthanasia is a licensed veterinarian with much experience in End of Life care. However, we do not carry the equipment necessary to perform diagnostic tests such as radiographs, etc,... These, if opted for, will require that you take your pet to your primary veterinarian or to an emergency/specialty practice.

If you would like to have the doctor assess your pet prior to euthanasia, please fill out the Hospice Care History Form ([webform](#) or [printed version](#)) on our website prior to the visit. This may save you as much as \$100 on the cost of the evaluation.

The cost of the evaluation is \$450 for a one hour consultation. If the evaluation is followed by euthanasia within the same visit, the fee will be assessed in 15 minutes increments. For example, if the doctor does an evaluation and within 15 minutes, it becomes clear to all parties involved that it *is* time for your pet, and we immediately proceed with euthanasia within the same visit, you will be charged for 15 minutes of evaluation in addition to the euthanasia and aftercare. If the doctor spends a full hour with you prior to the euthanasia, you may be charged the full cost for the visit (\$450) in addition to the euthanasia (if we proceed with the euthanasia). If we do an evaluation and the decision is made *not* to euthanize your pet, you will be charged a full hospice visit fee (we do not break down the fee for visits that are not followed by euthanasia within the same visit). If the evaluation takes longer than one hour, there will be additional charges in 15 minutes increments. You may receive a courtesy discount of up to \$75 on the consultation (not on the euthanasia/aftercare) if the Hospice Care History form is filled out fully and completely, including the pain assessment and the QoL test, in addition to all forms pertaining to euthanasia and aftercare *prior* to the doctor's arrival. These charges are in addition to the off hours fees and travel fees if applicable.

- "I understand the terms of the Quality of Life assessment as described above and I wish the doctor to perform a Quality of Life assessment on my pet prior to making a final decision."*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*date*

- I DO NOT wish the doctor to perform a Quality of Life assessment on my pet and I wish to proceed with euthanasia"*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*date*