

VISIT SUMMARY

Provider: Dr. Jennifer Kelleher
Patient: Jax
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CLIENT

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PATIENT

Jax | 2 YO | Male (Intact) | Pitbull Mix | 21.3 kg
Patient ID: 442367289 | Canine
DOB: Jul 31, 2024 | Color: Brown
Allergies: None Recorded

EXAM - ILLNESS (PVA) with Dr. Jennifer Kelleher

THRIVE CATONSVILLE July 31, 2026 at 5:00 pm

INTAKE

Reason for Visit

lethargic, not e/d, was bit 3 days ago by a rat - NOT VACCINATED

Please Describe your pet's symptoms

Weak low energy

When did their symptoms start?

Last night

Is your concern with Jax getting worse?

Yes

Does Jax have a history of this issue or is this new?

New

How is Jax's energy level?

Low

Is Jax eating and drinking normally?

No

Have you been using any medications, supplements or topicals (Over the counter or prescription) to treat this problem? If yes please list the name (s), how often, and when last administered.

No

What Flea/Tick Prevention is Jax taking?

None

What Heartworm Prevention is Jax Taking?

None

Is Jax on any other medications or over-the-counter products?

What are you currently feeding Jax? Please list brand name & amount fed each day.

No

Perina

Has there been any vomiting or diarrhea? If so, when did it start?

Has there been any coughing or sneezing? If so, when did it start?

No

No

Any changes to Jax's typical lifestyle and environment or recent travel?

Does Jax go outside?

Yes- To use the bathroom and have fun

No

Do you need a refill of any medications including Flea & Tick Heartworm medications?

No

If yes, please list what medications you need refilled. If no, please mark N/A.

N/a

Any other concerns you have for the doctor?

Does your pet have insurance and if so, who?

Weight loss

None

Please provide the phone number you would like to be reached at today.

Please provide a secondary contact Name & Phone Number

410-805-0434

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SUBJ

Is Jax eating and drinking OK?

Any history of wildlife exposure?

not eating since this morning, not drinking

yes - got into a fight with a rat 3 days ago, small puncture wounds on nose

Any vomiting or diarrhea, if so when did it start?

Any special travel history?

no

no

Any changes in drinking or urination?

Any new lumps or bumps?

not drinking much water

no

Any coughing or sneezing, if so when did it start?

Any lameness in last week, if so what leg?

no

no

Any history of vaccine reactions?

not vaccinated

Verify Jax was scanned for Microchip: Not Scanned

Results of Scan

Not Scanned

Pet presenting for decrease in appetite and drinking since this morning and lethargic and acting sluggish since last night. Pet is usually very energetic but has been hiding under tables and beds

Pet did get into an altercation with a rat 3 days ago. Per O there was 2 small punctures with very little blood that had already scabbed over.
Pet has never been vaccinated

VITALS

Attitude BAR	Temp 103.6 °F	Body Sc (1-9) 4
Crt 1	Weight 21.3 kg	FAS (0-5) 4
Heart Rate 134 bpm	Respiration Rate 40	
Mm pink	Pain Score (0-10) 0	

OBJECTIVE (NSF = NO SIGNIFICANT FINDINGS)

Attitude/Appearance: Abnormal Very anxious, growling	Oral Cavity/Teeth: Not Examined Not able to examined due to anxiety/growling
Mucous Membranes: NSF	Eyes/Orbit: NSF
Ears: NSF	Throat: NSF
Cardiovascular: NSF	Respiratory: NSF
Nose: NSF	Urogenital: NSF
Neurologic: NSF	Abdomen: Abnormal Tense/sensitive on palpation
Musculoskeletal: Abnormal Mild muscle wasting along topline	Peripheral lymph nodes : NSF
Rectal: NSF Did not perform, normal in appearance	Integumentary: Abnormal Owners reported wound on snout from rat. Not able to examine well, but no noticeable wounds (owners said bled but closed up)

ASSESSMENT

Decreased appetite
Muscle wasting/weight loss per owners
Tense abdomen
R/O: infectious disease (leptospirosis, Lyme disease, less likely rabies) vs. organ dysfunction vs. metabolic disease vs. other

Wound on face from rat fight

PLAN

Administered:

- LRS: 500mL SC

Medications TGH:

- Cerenia 60mg (1): 1T PO once
- Doxycycline 100mg (28): 1T PO Q12h for 14d

ORDERS

MEDICATIONS

Doxycycline 100mg (Per Tablet)

Give 1 tablet by mouth every 12 hours for 14 days.

QUANTITY	DATE FILLED	REFILLS	DRUG EXP	PRESCRIBER	RX #
28 (Twenty-Eight)	Jul 31, 2026	0		Dr. Jennifer Kelleher	825093413

Maropitant Citrate 60mg (Per Tablet)

Give 1 tablet by mouth once daily

QUANTITY	DATE FILLED	REFILLS	DRUG EXP	PRESCRIBER	RX #
1 (One)	Jul 31, 2026	0		Dr. Jennifer Kelleher	825093271

OTHER PRODUCTS

PRODUCT	QUANTITY	COMMENTS
Consultation/Examination, Emergency	1	
Clinical Support*	1	
Fluid Set-Up & Admin - SQ	1	500ml
Biohazardous Waste & OSHA Fee	1	

DIAGNOSTIC NOTES

None- owners declined blood work due to cost.

CLIENT COMMUNICATIONS

Client Communications

Jax presented after getting into a significant fight with a rat approximately three days ago. He sustained wounds to his face/nose, which initially appeared to be healing normally, but over the past few days he has developed concerning changes in behavior and activity. He has become lethargic and is refusing food despite normally being a very high-energy dog. His owner reports that he normally runs out of the gate immediately, but recently he has been sitting at the gate, hiding under the owner's legs, not responding when called, and generally acting very unlike himself. His eyes have also appeared somewhat red.

Jax has never received a known rabies vaccination. Because the bite occurred on the face from a wild animal and the rat was not initially available for testing, the veterinarian discussed the significant public-health implications. Under Maryland rabies regulations, an unvaccinated animal exposed to a potentially rabid wild animal may require an official quarantine, potentially lasting several months, with strict limitations on human contact. Because Jax is now showing signs of illness only a few days after the exposure, the veterinarian is particularly concerned about the possibility of rabies, although she emphasized that his current clinical signs are not specifically suggestive of rabies and there are other, more likely explanations for his illness. The veterinarian recommended involving the county because of the rabies exposure and discussed administering a rabies vaccination as part of the management plan.

On examination, the facial wounds appeared to be healing well and did not appear obviously infected. Jax was nervous and fearful during the visit but remained manageable with his owner present and was not displaying overtly abnormal neurologic behavior or aggression. The veterinarian explained that rabies typically causes more obvious neurologic or behavioral abnormalities, and she did not feel that Jax was currently acting rabid. However, because of the nature of the exposure and his lack of prior vaccination, rabies cannot be completely ruled out.

Another concern discussed was leptospirosis, since rats and other wildlife can carry and transmit *Leptospira* through their urine. Leptospirosis can cause significant kidney and liver disease and could potentially explain lethargy, poor appetite, and other systemic illness following wildlife exposure. The veterinarian recommended bloodwork to evaluate Jax's kidney and liver values and look for abnormalities that could help determine whether another illness is contributing to his current symptoms.

Overall, the facial wounds themselves appeared to be doing well, but Jax's sudden lethargy, anorexia, and behavioral changes following a rat bite are concerning and warrant further evaluation. The immediate plan was to obtain an estimate for bloodwork, evaluate his kidney and liver function, and proceed based on those results while maintaining appropriate precautions because of the potential rabies exposure.

Owners could not do blood work recommended due to cost. Opted to try outpatient therapy.

DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS

Jax was evaluated today after being involved in a fight with a rat approximately 3 days ago. He sustained wounds to his face/nose, which are healing well and do not currently appear significantly infected. However, he has developed lethargy, decreased appetite, and behavior that is unusual for him. Because of his

recent exposure to a wild animal, additional concerns include infectious diseases such as leptospirosis as well as the possibility of rabies exposure.

Bloodwork was recommended to evaluate Jax's kidney and liver function and look for evidence of systemic illness, including changes that could be associated with leptospirosis. You opted to hold off on that today. Outpatient treatment was elected with close monitoring at home.

Treatment given today:

- LRS: 500 mL SQ

Medications to give at home:

- **Cerenia 60 mg: Give 1 tablet by mouth once.**
- **Doxycycline 100 mg: Give 1 tablet by mouth every 12 hours for 14 days.**

Please monitor Jax very closely at home. Monitor his energy level, appetite, water intake, urination, breathing, and overall behavior.

Because Jax has never had a known rabies vaccination and was exposed to a wild animal, there are important public-health and quarantine considerations. Please follow any instructions provided by local animal control/public health officials regarding quarantine and observation. Avoid unnecessary contact with Jax or allowing him to interact with other people or animals until you have received appropriate guidance.

Recheck/urgent care: Jax should be re-evaluated promptly if he becomes more lethargic, continues refusing food, develops vomiting or diarrhea, has difficulty breathing, develops weakness, tremors, seizures, abnormal behavior, difficulty walking, difficulty swallowing, excessive drooling, or any other concerning change. If his condition worsens or he is not improving with outpatient therapy, hospitalization and additional diagnostics, including bloodwork, may be necessary.

Please contact the hospital with any questions or concerns regarding Jax's condition or medications.