#### WHAT IS REHABILITATION?

Physical rehabilitation is the treatment of injury or illness to decrease pain and restore function. A rehabilitation team treats acute injuries soon after they have occurred and chronic injuries of diseases that have been affecting your pet for a long time. At CHFA, our rehabilitation team also provides palliative care for senior pets to improve their quality of life.

# WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT MY PET'S CONSULTATION?

Expect to provide us with a thorough history and referral information. We will take physical muscle mass and range of motion measurements and discuss the plan of action.

#### HOW LONG ARE THE REHAB SESSIONS?

The rehab session itself lasts 45 minutes; during the last 15 minutes of the appointment, the nurse talks with the pet parent about the day's session and demonstrates exercises, if applicable. If the pet parent is unable to be present, the nurse emails notes from the session and homework (exercises) to the owner.

#### CAN I DROP MY PET OFF AND PICK UP AFTER THE APPOINTMENT?

Yes, you may drop your pet off as soon as we open. You may return 15 minutes before the appointment is over to speak to the nurse, or pick up before we close.

#### CAN THE PET PARENT BE PRESENT FOR THE REHAB SESSION?

We have found that dogs are more comfortable and willing to try new things with a drop off approach. We request that you drop your pet off for the rehab sessions in order for the pet to become familiar with the routine and stay focused to get the most out of time.





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# Restoring your pet's quality of life!





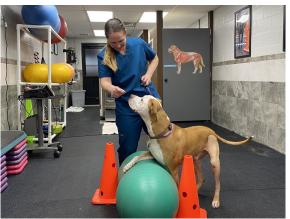
## MEET OUR REHABILITATION TEAM



**Dr. Gregory Paplawsky** Rehabilitation Director







**Emily Harkness, CCRVN, CHPT** Certified Canine Rehabilitation Nurse, Certified Animal Hospice and Palliative Care Technician







### TREATMENTS AVAILABLE

- Hydro Therapy
- Laser Therapy
- Passive/Active range of motion
- Radiology
- Cryotherapy
- Therapeutic Exercise
- At Home Exercises



### WHAT CONDITIONS CAN REHABILITATION HELP?

- Post-Surgery
- Neurologic Conditions
- Back Problems
- Arthritis
- Hip Dysplasia
- Obesity
- Agility Injuries
- Geriatric Conditions
- Muscle Injuries
- Amputation