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PAWZ AND READ

Tips for Having a Safe Thanksgiving With Dogs

From potentially toxic foods and food scraps to stressful environments and other pets, here's how to ensure you have a safe Thanksgiving with dogs.

Don't let your dog eat turkey (or any Thanksgiving foods, really)

It's tempting to give your dog some Thanksgiving turkey and mashed potatoes, but this is a surefire way to create a Thanksgiving catastrophe. At the very least, it'll lead to an upset tummy. "It's not uncommon during the Thanksgiving holiday that we see pet insurance claims for intoxication, pancreatitis and gastroenteritis," says Dawn Pyne, marketing manager for Embrace Pet Insurance, which is based in Cleveland, Ohio. "Most people food is heavily seasoned, which can lead to the gastro irritations. And there is food that is downright poisonous to dogs, like xylitol, chocolate and grapes."

Don't feed your dog turkey bones either, or give him access to any Thanksgiving scraps

It's equally tempting to toss your dog a few bones from the turkey. After all, what is more iconic than a dog with a bone? Foreign body ingestion is yet another common case that Pyne sees reported after Thanksgiving — for example, dogs going to the vet with bones that have splintered and punctured their digestion tract.

Reduce stress for your dog (and you!)

The holidays are stressful for everyone, your dog included. So, how do you try to keep your dog's stress levels down during the holidays? One common cause of stress is traveling, so if you don't have to bring your dog with you, leave him at home or make a reservation to board him at PawsCienda Pet Resort!

Another cause of stress is hosting friends or relatives, who might force your dog to interact with them. It's basically the dog equivalent of your aunt swooping in to smooch your kid's cheek — nobody likes that.

Football Friday's



DOGGIE Daycamp DOG OF THE MONTH!



Bronco

Upper Respiratory Infections in Animal Shelter Decreased with UV Air Disinfection

PetAirapy is proud to announce a study conducted at the Arizona Humane Society using PetAirapy UV disinfection systems has been published in the November 1, 2020, issue of Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association (JAVMA). URIs in the kitten nursery decreased an astonishing 87.1% when our Zone360 upper air unit and in-duct equipment for HVAC were used. The full press release is below.

Upper respiratory infections (URIs) in an animal shelter's kitten nursery decreased 87.1%—"a significant decrease"—when ultraviolet (UV) germicidal irradiation air disinfection systems were used, according to a new study published in the November 1, 2020, issue of Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association (JAVMA). Conducted at the Arizona Humane Society in Phoenix, AZ, using HVAC and upper air UV air disinfection systems manufactured and installed by Aerapy, LLC, marketed to the animal care industry under the company's brand PetAirapy, the field trial is the first reported study of the use of UV in an animal shelter.

Airborne transmission of viral and bacterial pathogens has not been adequately addressed in disinfection protocols in animal facilities, the study's authors note, yet respiratory pathogens pose a considerable threat to animal health in these facilities. The impact of aerosolized droplets, or aerosols, is addressed as these microscopic, potentially infectious particles can remain airborne for extended periods of time. Moreover, they may be a source of infection as they settle on surfaces. In short, the study posits, "disinfection of recirculated air in animal facilities should measurably and consistently reduce the number of airborne pathogens and therefore the number of URIs."

"Our findings suggest the airborne component of feline respiratory infections may be more significant than previously recognized," said the study's lead author, Robyn A. Jaynes, DVM.

"Further, even in well-ventilated spaces already outfitted with air filters, like the subject kitten nursery, more may need to be done to clean the air which is why, given these results, animal facilities may want to consider UV air disinfection as an addition to their existing infection control protocols."

Throughout the study, standard operating protocols for cleaning the nursery were maintained and airflow through the HVAC system was constant. The installed Aerapy UV air disinfection systems, the in-duct HVAC equipment and the upper air unit (the company's patented Zone360), produced a combined UV dose calculated by using Aerapy's proprietary sizing method to eliminate more than 99% of target bacteria and viruses including influenza virus and feline calicivirus, as well as Bordetella bronchiseptica, MRSA, and distemper.

Aerapy manufactures UV disinfection equipment in both the human space and, under the brand PetAirapy, in the animal space. Since 2008 the company has been dedicated to developing researched, tested, and study-backed UV systems to help ensure clean and healthy indoor environments. Test results from a third-party, independent laboratory using strict test methods show that Aerapy UV systems killed up to 99.998% of tested virus and bacterial pathogens. For more information, visit PetAirapy.com for animal environments and Aerapy.com for human environments.

PawsCienda Pet Resort has PetAirapy UV air disinfection systems installed in our Bunkhouse and Rustic Cabin accommodations, as well as in our Kitty Canyon Kondos cat boarding area.

<https://petairapy.com/upper-respiratory-infections-in-animal-shelter-decreased-with-uv-air-disinfection/>

GROOMING DOG OF THE MONTH



Congratulations!

Hannah

November DayCamp Party Dates

Every Friday – Football Friday!

November 18th – November Birthday Party

November 20th – Thanksgiving Party

DayCamp Schedule Change:

Due to the busy Thanksgiving Holiday – we will only have DayCamp for our Boarding dogs on Wednesday, Nov. 25 and Friday, Nov. 27

