## **Alabama Veterinary Allergy and Dermatology Service**

Dr. Tomeshia Hubbard

## How To Prepare For Your First Visit

**Appointments:** Please call 205-218-2707 to schedule an appointment to see Dr. Hubbard.

**Patients Will Be Seen By Appointment Only.** Prior to your first visit, you will receive an information packet containing a brochure, a client information sheet, a patient history form, a patient instruction form and directions to the clinic. We will mail, fax or email this information to you upon your request. Please fill out the forms and bring them to the first visit with you.

## **Instructions to Owner Prior to the Visit:**

- 1. Please do not feed your pet after midnight the night before the appointment. Water is fine. Your pet may need to be sedated for a variety of test that we may perform.
- 2. Do not bathe your pet within 5 days of the appointment. This will allow us to better assess your pet's skin disease.
- 3. Please bring a copy of your pet's medical records (6 months) if your regular veterinarian has not faxed them over to us.
- 4. Please bring your pet's dog food, treats, medications, shampoos and supplements for the doctor to examine them.
- 5. You can continue to give your pet heartworm prevention, flea control, antiseizure medication, thyroid medication, heart medications, antiviral drugs, antibiotics and antifungal medications.
- 6. Please expect to spend 1 to 2 hours at the clinic for the first visit. You may need to drop your pet off if any specific procedures need to be performed.
- 7. If your pet will be receiving an intradermal skin test, all topical or systemic corticosteroid products will have to be withdrawn for 4-6 weeks. Antihistamines (benadryl, chlorpheneramine, Clemastine, Zyrtec, hydroxyzine, etc) will have to be withdrawn for 2 weeks. Please contact our office if you are not sure.
- 8. A consultation is usually required before any procedures are performed on your pet, except under certain circumstances. Our consultation fee is \$150.00.

## Please contact us 24 hours prior to your appointment for any

**cancellations.** It will be our pleasure to reschedule your appointment for a later date. There will be a broken appointment fee applied for all no shows and late appointment cancellations.

**Payment in full is expected at the time services are provided.** We accept cash, personal checks, Visa, Mastercard, Discover and Care Credit (if available).