

LEPTOSPIROSIS - SAN DIEGO COUNTY

| Date Reported | # Of Cases | Name of Facility | DVM | Confirmed | Additional Details |
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| 10/6/20 | | | | | <i>Pet Disease Alert came in for Lepto in SD & OC notice shared via CC</i> |
| 11/2/20 | 3 | West Coast Animal Hospital | Dr. Megan Gibbings | Y | 2 of 3 stayed at Day Care in Hillcrest IDEXX/diagnosed on serology and confirmed with PCR dogs zero travel history |
| 11/2/20 | 2 | Kensington AH | Dr. Tonya Gossard | Y | one case went to VCA Mission Valley and the other to VSH. |
| 11/6/20 | | Rancho Village Veterinary | Dr. Dawn Boman | | Reported outbreak in TJ (County vet, Dr. Gurfield researching) |
| 11/9/20 | | | | | CC sent out to membership with update. MG posted on FB as well. |
| 11/30/20 | | | Dr. Nikos Gurfield | | MH contacted county vet to review confirmed cases. Dr. Gurfield researching the TJ, Mexico side of things. |
| 12/1/20 | | | | | CC sent out to membership with update and request to report confirmed cases to SDCVMA |
| 12/8/20 | 2 | West Coast Animal Hospital | Dr. Megan Gibbings | Y | 2 more.... |
| 12/9/20 | 1 | Cuyacama AH | Dr. Lori Martin | Y | dog stayed at same day care as previously mentioned |
| 12/9/20 | | | | | MH contacted doggie day care. They closed from 11/20/2020 - 12/7/2020 for deep cleaning. CEO met with Health Dept 12/7 and inspection was passed. All clients notified of contamination. |
| 12/9/20 | | | Dr. Nikos Gurfield | | MH reached out for update. No confirmation on Mexico link. "Will send advisory in the coming weeks." |
| 12/9/20 | | | | | CC sent to data base (members and non members) with update |
| 12/9/20 | 3 | VCA EAH & RC | | Y | Seen 3 patients; details forthcoming |
| 12/9/20 | | | | | <p>Anyway 2 of my dogs developed symptoms of Lepto following the first rain storm of the season last November 2019. Both had negative PCR testing but had classic clinical symptoms. I have 3 dogs. One was vaccinated with the 4 way lepto and he did not get the disease. I thought the others had received the same vaccine but when I pulled the vaccine stickers they had received DHPP. sigh.... Interestingly post treatment titers</p> <p>L. Icteraohaemorrhagiae 1:400 L. canicola negative L. grippotyphossa 1:800 L. hardjo negative L. autumnalis > 1:6400 L. Bratislava > 1:6400</p> <p>So likely horse or rodents and I have them both. The dogs had not left Lawson Valley in Jamul. Neither of the strains positive is in the 4 way lepto but my dog that had been vaccinated and fully exposed to the other 2 did not get the disease. It is VERY important vets understand the low sensitivity (as low as 30%) of the PCR testing and potential need for multiple samples</p> |
| 12/10/20 | 2 | | Dr. Anne Serdy-Tassin | Y | 2 yr old collie living in zip 92112. Was at Nobel off leash dog park & Little Italy dog park & Torrey Pines Highland Park. Been to boarding facility in November and more recently 12/7 & 8. His case was concerning bc he had an episode of vomiting once then he vomited over night and he was off his food a little bit. BUN Cr normal. SDMA pending. He had a weak positive. The other case was exposed at Hillcrest doggie day care on 10/17-23 one month before clinical signs started. Colony vet hospital saw her for FUO in 10/23, SDMA BUN CR normal sdma 13 (0-14) but she was lepto snap negative. 11/23 she presented to me with not eating and lethargy. sdma 49, cr 5.3, bun 63 and she was not sick at all until the night before. This patient had also been seen at PESC La Mesa. |
| 12/10/20 | 2 | VCA ASG | Seth Wegner, MS, DVM | Y | <p>We have had 2 cases in the past month.</p> <p>Case #1: 1yr MN Labradoodle - exposed at Paw Commons in Hillcrest area. Diagnosis confirmed via urine PCR testing on 11/19/20.</p> <p>Case #2: 9mo M Shepherd - possible exposure at a dog park/ dog beach in Ocean Beach or Balboa Park. Diagnosis confirmed via urine PCR testing on 11/29/20.</p> |
| 12/11/20 | 17 | IDEXX | Dr. Kari Mundschenk, DABVP-Feline | Y | 10/1/2020 - 11/30/2020 case detection period. Please be advised, this is only IDEXX PCR testing (does not include subclinical cases that had antibody conversions.) Also NOTE, some of the reported DVMs on this list have used IDEXX labs for confirmation, so this IDEXX count is not in addition to the other cases listed here. |
| 12/11/20 | | B Street Veterinary Hospital | Dr. Leejoan Ma | Y | 10 confirmed cases submitted to county vet |
| 12/11/20 | 4 | VSH San Diego | Dr. Natasha Loy Son (IM) | Y | <p>1yo, MN, West Highland terrier - urine PCR moderate positive (11/20/20), Lepto WITNESS positive (11/19/20), convalescent MAT positive for canicola (1:51200), likely contracted from dog daycare outbreak</p> <p>11mo, MN, Labradoodle - urine PCR positive (11/24/20), blood PCR negative, ELISA SNAP positive (11/24/20), not related to dog daycare outbreak</p> <p>1yo, MN, Labradoodle - urine PCR positive (11/16/20), blood PCR negative, likely contracted from dog daycare outbreak</p> <p>2yo, FS, Mixed breed - urine PCR positive (11/21/20), Lepto witness negative, acute MAT positive for icterohaemorrhagie (1:400) and L pomona (1:100), likely contracted from dog daycare outbreak</p> |
| 12/14/20 | 2 | Coastal Animal Hospital Carlsbad | Dr. Brian Evans | Y | <p>Patient 1: 1.5 yo MN mixed breed dog, diagnosed via PCR. Lives in North Park. Diagnosed in September.</p> <p>Patient 2: 6 month old MI cattle dog mix. Diagnosed via ELISA with no previous vaccination history. In kidney failure. Lives in Oceanside, no travel to the North Park or downtown San Diego area.</p> |

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| | | | | | <p>Area in San Diego where pet lives: North Park area. Any travel with pet: N/A Has pet been at any day care centers: Paw commons. Has pet been vaccinated for Leptospirosis: No history of vaccine.</p> <p>Pet previously treated for Lepto once outbreak at the boarding facility started.</p> |
| 12/18/20 | 1 | Pet Hospital of North Park | Dr. Osawa | Y | 12/17/2020 - Pet was tested for PCR blood and urine. Came out positive on the PCR in urine but not the blood. |
| 12/23/20 | 1 | Ramona Animal Hospital | Dr. Mary Kayser | Y | "We have one canine positive for Lepto that was confirmed through IDEXX lab testing." This facility has been contacted for further information, as not initially provided. |
| 12/24/20 | 1 | South Bay Veterinary Hospital, Chula Vista | Dr. Michele Myers Kelly | Y | <p>Dog and owner live in the North Park area of San Diego</p> <p>The dog is a 2 year old Husky No Lepto vaccination in history No travel in history No attendance at any Dog Daycare</p> <p>Patient does frequent Garfield School Park area (o states this is not a dog park, but an open area of the school, frequented by dog-owners since COVID closed schools)</p> <p>Original complaint on 11/25, was lethargy, painful, not eating, possible otitis. P treated for Otitis. On 12/11 returned for PU/PD, urinary accidents in house, stool with blood and mucus. Was BAR for exam. 4Dx Neg, CBC/Chem 12/12/20 Glob=3.7 (1.6-3.6), K=3.1 (2.7-3.8), USG=1.006 (BUN/Creat low-mid normal). 12/14, recheck, still not eating well, diarrhea, extremely PD/PD, clinician sent maldigestion panel (came back wnl). 12/17 recheck still ADR, PU/PD (still BAR on PE, T-102.5, lost 2 lbs) Sent Lepto PCR blood/Urine and Lepto Serology to Antech. Started on Doxy 5 mg po bid.</p> <p>Lepto PCR Blood Neg (12/19) Lepto PCR urine Pos (delayed d/t lab error, reported 12/23) Lepto Ser: L.Canicola > 1:6400 L icterohemorrhagiae 1:400 All other serovars Neg</p> <p>Alerted owner. He stated his dog has improved greatly since Doxy, but roommate's dog now showing similar symptoms. Advised to schedule Exam/PCR testing ASAP.</p> |
| 1.18.2021 | 2 | Barfield | Dr. Camila de Andino | Y | <p>I have diagnosed two dogs with Leptosporiosis in the last 2 weeks. One is Bronx a 7yo MN Boxer mix with mild decrease in appetite and polyuria and polydypsia. The other is Kat an 11yo FS Beagle with vomiting and pyrexia.</p> <p>Bronx was up to date on his Lepto vaccine but does go to boarding (they have been alerted) Kat's vaccine was expired by one year and only goes for walks around her neighborhood and backyard. One lives in Del Mar and the other in Solana beach with no travel history in the past year.</p> |
| 1.25.2021 | 1 | PESC | Dr. Megan Richman | Y | <p>I'd like to report a lepto positive case we had. A 7y M German Shepherd that presented to us on 1/17/21. He was hospitalized for 3 days with an AKI, but has done well and was discharged on 1/21/21.</p> <p>----- Date of Diagnosis: 1/22/21(urine PCR positive and MAT positive for L. canicola) Name of Vet: Dr. Megan Richman Name of Hospital/Clinic: Pet Emergency and Specialty Center of South County Area in San Diego where pet lives: Ocean Beach Any travel with pet: no Has pet been at any day care centers: no. Has pet been to any dog parks: Dusty Rhodes Dog Park in OB Has pet been vaccinated for Leptospirosis: no</p> |
| 2.17.2021 | 1 | Clairemont Village Pet Clinic | Dr. Diamond | Y | <p>Confirmed via: Leptospira Antibodies IgM 01/29/21, Leptospira 5 Serovar Titer & PCR pending - Vet: Dr. Diamond - Clairemont Village Pet Clinic - Live in Linda Vista - Travel: Mexico during New Years, Orange County for Christmas - No history of daycare - Dog Parks: Dusty road dog park ocean beach, fieta island dog park - No previous lepto vaccination - No other pets in household.</p> |
| 2.17.2021 | 1 | Bodhi Animal Hospital | Dr. Bekes, but says sees multiple vets at clinic | Y | <p>Date of Diagnosis: Confirmed 1/6/2021 via Lepto PCR Name of Vet: Dr. Bekes, but says sees multiple vets at the clinic Name of Hospital/Clinic: Bodhi Animal Hospital Area in San Diego where pet lives: North park on canyon (says pack of racoons frequent area) Any travel with pet: No Has pet been at any day care centers: No Has pet been to any dog parks: Yes Balboa Park morley field area Has pet been vaccinated for Leptospirosis: Never</p> |

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| 2.17.2021 | 1 | VSH Sorrento Valley | Dr. Stephanie Istvan | Y | Date of Diagnosis - 1/5/21, Witness positive Name of Vet - Dr. Stephanie Istvan Name of Hospital/Clinic - VSH Sorrento Valley Area in San Diego where pet lives - Downtown San Diego adjacent to Balboa park (5th avenue) Any travel with pet - In the ~2 weeks prior to diagnosis went to Coronado dog beach (12/19), Ocean beach estuary (12/21), and Vermont street trailhead (12/23), otherwise walks around the neighborhood / Balboa park within a 4 block radius Has pet been at any day care centers - no Has pet been to any dog parks - Coronado dog beach (12/19) Has pet been vaccinated for Leptospirosis - no |
| Posted on website 2.17.2021 | | | | | |
| 2.18.2021 | 1 | The Pet Clinic in Chula Vista | Dr. Nansi Laing | Y | Date of Diagnosis: 1.26.2021 Name of Veterinarian: Nansi Laing, DVM Name of Hospital/Clinic: The Pet Clinic in Chula Vista Area in San Diego Where Pet Lives: Chula Vista Any Travel with Pet: no Has Pet Been At Any Day Care Centers: no Has Pet Been To Any Dog Parks: Ocean Beach Dog Park Has Pet Been Vaccinated for Leptospirosis: no Known Leptospira serovar was diagnosed in your patient(s): unknown |
| Posted on website 2.18.2021 | | | | | |
| 3.11.2021 | 2 | VCA EAH & RC | Vet at VCA after being seen at Cabrillo Pet Hospital | Y | Luca & Finn: 2 dogs (9 yr husky shepherds) Date of Diagnosis : Lepto PCR + ON 03/03/21 (hospitalized 02/26) Area in San Diego Where Pet Lives : Bermuda Circle 92107 Any Travel with Pet : None Has Pet Been At Any Day Care Centers : None Has Pet Been To Any Dog Parks: none Has Pet Been Vaccinated for Leptospirosis: NO But had been messing with a possum |
| Posted on website 3.22.2021 | | | | | |
| 3.31.2021 | 1 | Rancho Mesa Animal Hospital | Dr. Jennifer Cooper | Y | Date of Diagnosis: 3/20/2021 Area in San Diego Where Pet Lives: Mira Mesa Any Travel with Pet: No, however, the dog came from Mexico and was adopted by the owners approx. a year and a half ago. Has Pet Been At Any Day Care Centers: No Has Pet Been To Any Dog Parks: Maddox Park in Mira Mesa Has Pet Been Vaccinated for Leptospirosis: No Other: The dog is also positive for Ehrlichia. |
| 3.31.2021 | 1 | Colina Veterinary Hospital | Dr. Alfonso Guajardo | Y | Date of diagnosis: 3/23/21 by PCR (urine and blood positive) Pet: 3yo male neutered canine Husky Area in San Diego Where Pet Lives: Normal Heights Any Travel with Pet: No Any Day Cares: No Any Dog Parks: Fiesta Island, until he developed clinical signs 1 month ago and was treated for nonspecific gastroenteritis at another hospital with metronidazole, then the patient improved partially but eventually developed more generalized clinical signs 1 month later and was brought to our hospital. He is currently under treatment with Amoxicillin/Clav. acid and Doxycycline. Has Pet Been Vaccinated for Leptospirosis: no Serovar not determined. |
| Posted on website 3.31.2021 | | | | | |
| 2/14/22 | 1 | Rancho Mesa Animal Hospital | Dr. Meghann McCroskey | Y | No travel out of area, no day care centers, no dog parks. Not vaccinated for Lepto. |
| Posted on website 5.11.2022 | | | | | |
| 4/1/22 | 1 | | via Dr. Gurfield Office | Y | 8 yo FS MalamuteX : PCR Urine + : ELISA (+) : Exposure-unknown |
| 5/20/22 | 1 | | via Dr. Gurfield Office | Y | 12.5 yo FS labX : PCR Urine - : DX Test PCR blood - : ELISA (+) : Exposure-unknown |
| 5/22/22 | 1 | | via Dr. Gurfield Office | Y | 8.5 yo FS Husky : IgM (Zoetis) (+) : Exposure-unknown |
| Posted on website 6.2.2022 | | | | | |
| 8/10/23 | 1 | SeaCoast Veterinary Group | Dr. Dee L. Puaoli, M.Sc. | Y | 4 yo pug; only park visited: Balboa Park for training. Visited family in East Lake recently. No day cares/no other travel. |
| Posted on website 9.5.2023 | | | | | |
| 12/12/23 | 1 | Cabrillo Pet Hospital | Dr. Natasha Lefkowitz | Y | Date of positive test: 12/15/2023; PCR-Blood: Negative; PCR-Urine: positive; No Travel history, no dog day care, Nate's Point Dog Park visited, No vaccination for lepto; deceased: yes; lived: point loma |
| 1/2/24 | 1 | Cabrillo Pet Hospital | Dr. Natasha Lefkowitz | Y | Date of positive test: 1/2/2024; PCR-Blood: positive; PCR-Urine: positive, No travel, no dog day care, no vaccination for lepto, deceased: yes; lived Point Loma |
| 1/11/24 | 1 | Cabrillo Pet Hospital | Dr. Jessica Tyler | Y | Date of positive test: 1/11/2024; PCR-Blood: positive, PCR-Urine: negative; No travel, No dog day care, No vaccination for lepto, lives in point Loma |
| Posted on website 4.1.2024 | | | | | |