

Greetings local veterinarians!

I am excited to inform you that a new company is available to assist your clients with their behavioral health needs. As a veterinary technician specialist in behavior (VTS-Behavior) and previous employee of the Animal Behavior Wellness Center, I have a solid background in all aspects of dog and cat behavior. This includes pet selection counseling, problem prevention, general training, and more.

Where my skills really shine is managing behavior cases for a diagnosing and prescribing veterinarian.

Veterinarians recognize behavior problems as damaging to the pet's health and relationship with their owner. Managing these problems, however, can be very time-consuming. Prescribing is the easy part. All the coaching, counseling, educating, etc. is where it becomes more challenging. As a busy doctor, you have more important things to do. Let me manage your behavior cases, freeing you up for what you enjoy.

How it works:

- You diagnose the problem.
- Send me a Referral Letter.
- I meet with your client.
- We discuss Behavior Therapy (*see below*)
- A full report outlining our tentative plan is sent to your client.
- A letter outlining our discussion is sent to your practice.
 - If you wish, commonly used medications can also be provided.
 - *Specific medications will not be discussed with your client unless you have already prescribed them or wish me to do so. A section on the Referral Letter addresses this.*
- You prescribe medications as needed.
- Your client rechecks with me every 2-6 weeks and a fresh report is sent to both them and you.
 - *If medication appears to need adjusting, I will consult with you before making any specific recommendations.*

Aspects of behavior therapy:

- Ruling out physical ailments that could be causing the behavior.
- Understanding of normal behaviors and body language.
- Ensuring biological and environmental needs of the pet are met.
- Implementing management strategies to prevent the manifestation of unwanted behaviors.
- Prescribing medication to treat chemical imbalances in the brain.
- Teaching alternate behaviors, appropriate coping strategies, and changing the perception of triggers.



Fee & Appointment Structure

Currently, all appointments are **virtual**.

Description	Length	Cost
Initial Assessment – Canine & Feline	60 minutes	\$195.00
Initial Assessment – Intercat or Interdog Aggression <i>For housemates that are fighting. Additional appointments may be needed to fully address each individuals' specific struggles.</i>	90 minutes	\$245.00
Behavior Therapy Follow Up	30 minutes	\$85.00
Behavior Modification – In Depth	60 minutes	\$125.00
Behavior Modification – Abbreviated	30 minutes	\$65.00

Prices and appointment structure are subject to change.

Please know that I am not a replacement for a Boarded Veterinary Behaviorist. However, should your client wish for a “middle ground,” working with The Mindful Mentor can be a great option.

Feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns. I’m also happy to schedule an in-clinic discussion on behavior topics and/or to meet with your veterinary team. Some topics are even RACE Approved! Reach out for more details.

Sincerely,
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