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Have you optimized the role that nutrition can play in patient care?

Take this self-assessment and find out!



PASSIONATE AND COMMITTED LEADERSHIP

- ❑ Do the practice owner and senior staff set an example that demonstrates a strong belief in the value of nutrition in patient care?
- ❑ Does your website or customized clinic client-education materials communicate your belief in the importance of nutrition?



TEAM APPROACH

- ❑ Does every member of the healthcare team understand their role with regard to incorporating nutrition into patient care?
- ❑ Is there an opportunity at patient rounds to discuss cases that nutrition has been a critical success factor?



BELIEF AND CULTURE

- ❑ Do all members of the healthcare team truly believe that it is "best medicine" to provide a nutritional assessment and specific dietary recommendation for every patient, every time as a part of the examination process?



CONSISTENT COMMUNICATION

- ❑ Do you have regular staff training or rounds to agree upon and practice how to deliver consistent communication in the most effective manner?
- ❑ Does the healthcare team understand that good listening skills may be the most important component of effective client communication?



CONTINUOUS TRAINING

- ❑ Do you currently have a forum for regular staff training?
- ❑ Can every member of the healthcare team (including front desk staff) answer basic questions regarding the clinic's nutrition philosophy and key points regarding the diets you recommend?
- ❑ Are one or several of the veterinary technicians in your practice an in-clinic champion for nutrition or fill the role of a nutritional counselor?



DOCUMENTATION

- ❑ Does the clinic have written protocol(s) that clearly defines the roles and responsibilities of every member of the healthcare team to ensure that every patient has a nutritional assessment and receives a dietary recommendation at every visit?



EVALUATION PROCESS

- ❑ Is there a process in place to review medical records to ensure that your clinic's nutritional protocols are being executed?