



# Pet Care NOTES



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## **DIABETIC PETS & DIET**

Many diabetic dogs and cats have special nutritional needs. And, although there is no one optimal diet, some vets prefer certain types of food for their diabetic patients. For pets, a high-fiber diet is helpful because soluble fiber slows glucose absorption, which means that post-meal blood sugar does not rise as rapidly as it does with other types of food. Another diet, often helpful with diabetic cats, is a food with high protein content. Some pet owners have reported that with the high-protein food, their cats require less insulin. Some specialty foods are only available by prescription, so talk to your veterinarian if you think your pet would benefit from a prescription diabetic diet.

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***FACT: Diabetic pets should not eat moist or semi-moist foods as they can contain a lot of sugar.***

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