



Friday 10th October 2025 | Pattingham 1 | 14:00-15:00

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Title: Senior Moments: Nurse Clinics for Ageing Pets



Joy qualified in 2019, becoming the Head Nurse at her current practice in North Wales in 2023. She has a diploma in veterinary nurse consulting, with her passions includes feline health and behaviour and senior pet care, and also enjoys anaesthesia and schedule 3 surgical procedures. Joy is a course assessor for Colourful CPD, mentoring students through their consulting qualifications, alongside studying a feline behaviour course with International Cat Care. She also organises and hosts regional and online CPD events as a volunteer BVNA Advocate.

Synopsis:

Veterinary nurses are perfectly placed to optimise the quality of life of ageing patients through nurse consultations. Applying their array of skills and knowledge to run comprehensive and varied clinics will not only provide a valuable service to pet owners but also promote job satisfaction and in turn, retention. This session will cover three parts: firstly, a reminder of the relationship between Schedule 3 and veterinary nurse consulting, then we will explore the variety of consultations we can offer. These include health screening, obesity care, management of other chronic medical conditions, such as diabetes, hyperthyroidism, osteoarthritis and Cushing's Disease, as well as end of life conversations, before rounding off with some considerations for managing senior pets in the consulting room.

Learning Objectives:

1. Evaluate how Schedule 3 relates to veterinary nurse consulting
2. Understand the variety of nurse clinic options for senior pets
3. Be able to tailor your consulting approach for senior pets