

Vets Now Alexa Skill

Are you worried about your pet's health? Vets Now have created an Alexa skill that can answer some of the most common pet health questions and help you decide what to do next.

Our Alexa skill has three key features, and these are:

- 1. Chocolate toxicity calculator for dogs
- 2. Find your nearest emergency vet
- 3. Vet-approved answers to common pet health FAQs

Use our dog chocolate toxicity calculator to find out if your dog has eaten a dangerous amount of chocolate, tell us where you are to find your nearest vet or ask us questions to receive vet-approved information on some of the most common pet emergency topics*.

1. How to use our chocolate toxicity calculator:

- To get started, say "Alexa, open Vets Now".
- Ask a chocolate-related question.

Suggestions:

- "My Labrador has eaten 10g of dark chocolate"
- "My 30-kilo dog has eaten a Crunchie"

Alexa will ask you some questions, offer advice and ask how you would like to proceed, e.g. find your nearest vet.

2. How to find your nearest vet

Allow access to your postcode within Alexa and ask "where is the nearest vet" and we'll calculate the distance and provide you with all details you need.

- To get started, say "Alexa, open Vets Now"
- Say "where is my nearest vet to me"
- Our Alexa skill will give you contact details for three Vets Now clinics closest to you

Alternatively, say something like give me vets in Oxford". Once you've found your nearby vets ask us to "send the details to my mobile" and have telephone numbers handy for making a call.

3. How to use our pet health advice FAQs

- To get started say "Alexa, open Vets Now"
- Ask a question related to common pet health questions.

Suggestions:

- "What are the symptoms of kennel cough?"
- "Are grapes bad for dogs?"
- "Why is my dog panting?"
- "What can I give my dog for pain?"
- "Can cats eat chocolate?"

Alexa will offer advice and ask how you would like to proceed, e.g. find your nearest vet. Alternatively, say "repeat the answer" if you'd like to hear the answer again.

Our ever-growing FAQ advice hub can currently answer questions on:

Dog advice

- Dog diarrhoea
- Pancreatitis
- Kennel cough
- Pyometra
- Eating chocolate
- Toxic foods
- Panting
- Pain
- Not eating

*The information provided by the Vets Now Alexa is not a substitute for advice from a veterinary professional. If you think your pet's symptoms might be life-threatening, find and contact your nearest Vets Now clinic immediately.

Visit us at <u>http://vets-now.com</u> for more helpful pet care advice, fantastic case studies from our clinics and more.

Cat advice

- Cat flu
- Eating chocolate