

Educational and E-learning Resources



Accessible Spay/Neuter Toolkit

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Humane Alliance and ASPCA Professional offer extensive, comprehensive, free learning tools on their websites that address all aspects of spay/neuter, from budgeting to setting up floor plans, staffing (including job descriptions), operations, record-keeping, marketing, and more. Browse through the many resources on these websites to find the answers to most, if not all, of the questions you have.

Canadian organizations that have set up high volume stationary spay/neuter clinics have consistently recommended the resources offered by Humane Alliance.

Humane Alliance www.humanealliance.org

ASPCA Professional www.aspcapro.org Use the “Filter Resources” search feature to search by topic.

Resources for accessible spay/neuter in general

Found Animals Foundation www.foundanimals.org/resources/pet-resources

Association of Shelter Veterinarians
www.sheltervet.org/about/spay-and-neuter/start-program

Spay USA www.spayusa.org/start-a-clinic.php

Maddie’s Fund www.maddiesfund.org

PetSmart Charities www.petsmartcharities.org/pro/learn offers many webinars among their resources

High-quality/high-volume spay/neuter

For implementing a self-sustaining high-volume, high-quality, low-cost spay/neuter clinic, Humane Alliance’s National Spay/Neuter Response Team (NSNRT) offers the most comprehensive mentoring program that is most used in Canada www.humanealliance.org/open-a-clinic/overview. The NSNRT is an extensive program that covers all aspects of setting up a clinic, with separate medical and administrative components.

Humane Alliance also offers training programs geared specifically for veterinarians and veterinary students. A comprehensive array of learning materials from the programs is available on the website www.humanealliance.org/e-learning.

Modeled after Humane Alliance’s NSNRT, ASPCA offers a mentorship program called the National Spay/Neuter Project that is focused on helping organizations in small communities implement spay/neuter initiatives www.aspcapro.org/search/index/national%20spay

Shelter Outreach Services (SOS) consults and helps other groups to set up “MASH”-style high quality, high volume spay/neuter services www.shelteroutreachservices.org/index.html

Veterinary resources

The Association of Shelter Veterinarians Veterinary Task Force to Advance Spay Neuter offers a number of excellent veterinary resources on their website, www.sheltervet.org/about/spay-and-neuter including:

- Medical care guidelines for spay-neuter programs
- A brochure about high volume spay/neuter targeted to private veterinarians
- Strategies for hiring a spay/neuter vet

Maddie's Shelter Medicine Program at Cornell University offers resources regarding veterinary techniques for spay/neuter www.sheltermedicine.vet.cornell.edu/Resources/SpayNeuter.cfm.

Veterinary Information Network provides continuing education resources and a virtual network for veterinarians and veterinary support personnel www.vin.com/VIN.plx

Feral cat Trap-Neuter-Return programs

Toronto Feral Cat Project offers training workshops for managing feral cat colonies www.feraltoronto.com/

Other great resources are available from:

The Humane Society of the United States
www.humanesociety.org/issues/feral_cats/tips/what_you_can_do_for_ferals.html

Alley Cat Allies www.alleycat.org

PetSmart Charities www.petsmartcharities.org

Note that PetSmart Charities recently released a free e-book, *PetSmart Charities Community TNR: Tactics and Tools* by leading expert, Bryan Kortis www.petsmartcharities.org/sites/default/files/CommunityTNR.zip

If you know of any other educational resources for spay/neuter initiatives in Canada, please contact info@cfhs.ca so we can add them to this list.