



# Schmidt NEWS

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## Allergy Testing



[bmslab.com](http://bmslab.com)

## Canine & Feline Foods



[walthamusa.com](http://walthamusa.com)

## DNA Testing



[wisdompanel.com](http://wisdompanel.com)

## Groomer, Bonnie



## Allergy Testing, Prevention & Treatment Of Your Cat Or Dog

Pets can suffer their entire lives with allergic reaction to a wide variety of environmental substances known as allergens which can occur seasonally or year round. Food allergy is the most likely cause of allergic symptoms in pets under one year of age.

### Most common allergy symptoms

- ❁ Skin irritation; intense itching & scratching
- ❁ Feet licking
- ❁ Face rubbing
- ❁ Hair loss
- ❁ Ear inflammation
- ❁ Acne
- ❁ Vomiting & Diarrhea
- ❁ Respiratory signs; asthma, sneezing, nasal discharge and watery eyes.
- ❁ Cat will over groom themselves causing hair loss and skin erosion sores.

The solution for pets who have recurring signs with or without routine medications or supplements; is to test for, treat and eliminate as many allergens as possible.

### Schmidt Veterinary Clinic can do this!

A thorough history and examination will be done followed by submitting blood serum samples to a commercial lab to conduct Elisa tests to determine and rank environmental and food allergens that afflict your pet. The lab then uses this data to design and prepare an allergy treatment kit to use on a regular basis by injection which over time will neutralize the allergic reactions your pet suffers from.

This kit provides a long term effective treatment that gradually builds your pet's immunity to offending allergens and reduces the need for steroids, antihistamines, nutritional supplements and office visits. You can do these injections at home or have us do them.

The testing will identify food allergens that can be reduced or eliminated. We will review diet choices that are beneficial to your pet.

Our staff is ready to help you and your pet with solutions to its allergy problems resulting in a more comfortable and happy life for both of you.

## Services Offered at Schmidt Veterinary Clinic

- ❁ Boarding at 'Camp Schmidt' where we have a large fenced in yard area, heated and air-conditioned runs with sleeping platforms. Don't forget your purring family members may enjoy our 2-story cat condos with all the amenities.
- ❁ Full-Service grooming
- ❁ Dental; scaling and polishing for better oral health.
- ❁ Micro-chipping to ensure your pet is returned home safely.
- ❁ AND NOW DNA TESTING! Have you ever wondered about your mixed breed dog's ancestry? We can help reveal that secret information by performing a Wisdom Panel analysis. Up to 157 different AKC breeds can be detected. This test is claimed to be 90% accurate, call our office to get more details.

