## Client Acceptance Form

Our goal through holistic medicine is to help every animal obtain the highest healing possible with the greatest compassion for his or her quality of life.



We pledge to assist all animals in becoming healthy, nourished, and free of pain.
To respect the rights of all animals to live their lives free of any endeavor not in their best interest, including cosmetic surgery and mutilation.
To never prolong life unnaturally, nor deny any animal the right to die with dignity.

We are honored that you have chosen to trust us with the care of your animal. As you are likely aware our practice is rather unique: We offer consultation in the use of homeopathy, acupuncture, chiropractic, therapeutic laser, nutritional therapy, acupuncture, Traditional Chinese Medicine, Chinese and Western herbs, cold laser therapy, natural flea control, dental care, and holistic cancer treatment. We emphasize these forms of treatment because we believe they provide the most effective way to deal with a wide variety of health problems that animals face by providing the body with the tools it needs to heal itself rather than masking the symptoms of disease.

By practicing holistic medicine through a truly *integrative* approach, we will use the most appropriate modality of medicine your animal needs at that specific point in time. We believe that these alternative therapies or a combination thereof can be used to treat the same broad range of problems that are conventionally treated with drugs. This is a very successful approach—one that our doctors have studied and applied for over 10 years. Yet if we determine that your animal would benefit from pharmaceuticals, surgery, or any other form of conventional treatment, we will not hesitate to recommend such methods. After all there is no "good" or "bad" medicine; the key is finding how to best support your animal's long-term health.

Realistically not every problem can be successfully resolved. Sometimes the disease is too advanced; other times, we do not have the necessary knowledge or experience to treat the problem, in which case we would refer you to the appropriate specialist; and occasionally our methods fail in spite of our best efforts. We say this not to discourage you, but to communicate honestly our skills and the limitations true of any clinic.

It is important as we start working together that you understand we are going to primarily use alternative medicine with a holistic approach in the treatment of your animal. If we believe that for the well-being of your pet you should receive care from another practitioner or would benefit from further diagnostics (such as x-ray), we will refer you for this care rather than provide it ourselves. We are committed to meeting your expectations of complete holistic health for your pet. In turn, we request your commitment to our treatment plan.

I have read the above explanation concerning the type of care my animal will be receiving from Holistic Pet Vet Clinic and I agree this is what I want for my animal.	
Guardian or Responsible Party	Date
Guardian or Responsible Party (please print name)	
Holistic Pet Vet Clinic Witness	Date

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