## NOTICE

If your <u>dog</u> has THREE of the following symptoms, THYROID TESTING IS PROBABLY A GOOD IDEA.

Low thyroid would be suspected with any <u>THREE</u> of the following in the *same* dog.

ONE symptom all by itself is not enough reason for suspicion (or expense).

- Lethargy, lack of interest in play, increased amounts of sleeping
- Weight gain and obesity
- Cold intolerance seeks out warm places to lie down, and or, low body temperature
- Constipation
- Decreased appetite
- Chronic skin disorders, such as dry skin, thinning of the hair coat, excessive hair loss

Low Thyroid occurs COMMONLY in Golden Retrievers and in dogs *OVER* 5 years of age. If your dog is enthusiastic to the point of HYPER, it is <u>NOT</u> hypothyroid. ☺

Thank you

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