

Anaplasmosis

Your dog has tested positive for anaplasmosis. This means that at some point your dog was bitten by a tick carrying Anaplasma. The test tells us that your pet has been exposed, it does not tell us if an active infection is present.

What we recommend:

If this is the first time your dog has had a positive exposure test we recommend a CBC to evaluate the significance of the exposure.

- If the CBC is within normal limits then we won't need to take any further action.
- If the CBC signals a significant exposure we will recommend a course of antibiotic treatment.

If your dog tests positive on subsequent tests we recommend monitoring your pet for symptoms of infection, and using tick control products to prevent further exposure. There is currently no vaccine for anaplasmosis.

Symptoms:

Symptoms of anaplasmosis include sudden onset of lameness, lethargy, fever, and reduced appetite. If you notice these symptoms, please call to schedule an appointment. The prognosis for recovery is usually good after appropriate treatment.