

## BENEFITS OF TELEONCOLOGY CONSULTATION

Receive comprehensive feedback from an experienced cutting-edge oncologist and **keep more of your treatments/diagnostics/care in house**, and **provide the pet owners a complete evaluation of the options available to them.**

- Consultation on current disease state
- Set expectations for treatment protocols and quality of life
- Length of treatment
- Further diagnostics such as follow up ultrasound/radiographs for complete staging
- Expectation of degree of disease remission or prognosis
- Obtain a "bigger picture" to help the pet owner decide whether to pursue further treatment, referral to local oncologist, or if palliative care is appropriate
- Provide palliative plans to guide the client through hospice care

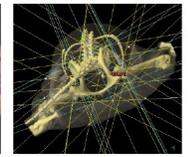
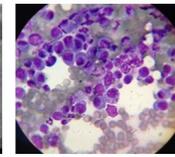
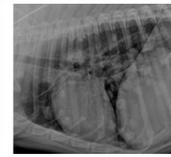
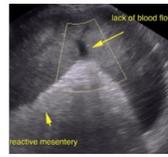


### ABOUT DR. CHIARA LEO

Dr. Chiara Leo graduated from Milan University (Italy) in 2003, and knew from start that Oncology was her only interest and that she should move abroad in order to strengthen her knowledge in this field.

She completed an internship at the Tierspital University of Zurich (Switzerland) and then a residency in Oncology at the Animal Oncology and Imaging Center in Zug (Switzerland). She spent part of her residency at Washington state University, then moved to London.

Dr. Leo was appointed Lecturer in Oncology at the Royal Veterinary College (London, UK) from 2011 to 2016 and "ad interim" Head of the Oncology service from 2015 to 2016. In 2016 she moved back to Italy, where she became head of the Oncology service at the Istituto Veterinario Novara.



## TELEONCOLOGY FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### ***Will SonoPath Oncology accept reports interpreted by external telemedicine/teleradiology companies?***

Yes, SonoPath will accept external reports and image sets; however, the SonoPath Oncologist may request additional imaging/sampling/consults if warranted.

### ***What is an appropriate timeframe to submit images and reports for an oncology consult?***

Due to neoplastic events changing drastically in a short amount of time, it is strongly recommended that the full case (all images/reports) be submitted within 2 weeks of the original imaging/sampling in order to have the most accurate consultation with the SonoPath oncologist.

### ***Will SonoPath accept an oncology consult beyond 2 weeks post-imaging/report/diagnostics?***

Yes, SonoPath will accept your submission; however, the Oncologist maintains the right to request repeats of lab work, imaging etc. An initial consultation fee will be charged.

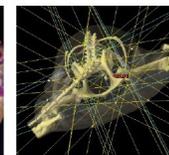
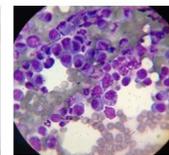
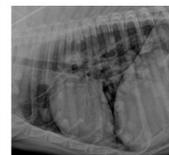
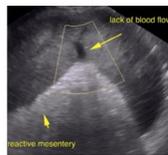
### ***Do I need to submit images and reports or JUST the report?***

SonoPath teleradiology and telemedicine clients will only need to submit their SonoPath reports because pertinent image sets are already on the reports. If you have additional images you'd like to submit to support your case you are encouraged to include them.

### ***What type of images/information does SonoPath accept to support each case?***

- Ultrasound
- CT
- MRI
- Chest Radiographs (2-3 views accepted)
- Interpretation Report
- Cytology
- Histopathology
- Any laboratory results

**\*Please Note:** Abdominal Radiographs **ARE NOT** sufficient in Oncology, so for staging we would require an Ultrasound of the Abdomen instead of Abdominal Radiographs.



***If a cytology submission was inconclusive, can I still submit the case for oncology consult?***

Yes, SonoPath will accept your submission; please submit all supporting documents that you have, including the inconclusive results and medical notes on treatment. The oncologist maintains the right to request repeats of lab work, FNAs, biopsies, imaging, etc. The initial consultation fee will be charged.

***Is there a timeframe per case that defines a re-check?***

There is no specific timeframe. A re-check is everything that concerns the initially diagnosed neoplasia. A new neoplastic event would qualify as an initial consultation.

***Are re-checks unlimited as long as it is a follow-up on the same case?***

Yes, you can submit as many re-checks that is needed for the same patient as long as it concerns the initial neoplastic event. If a new, independent neoplasia develops, the consult will be considered an initial consult, and will be charged accordingly.

***Is there a limit to the number of times I can contact the oncologist and still be covered under the initial consultation fee?***

There is no regulation on the number of times you can contact the oncologist; however, once a new treatment approaches (rescue protocols etc.) it will be considered a re-check consultation. The oncologist may request a re-check at their discretion.

***Can I “skip” having a SonoPath Specialist do an initial read on a case, and send my images, lab work, cytology etc directly for oncology consult?***

This is handled on a case by case basis. You can elect to directly submit to the oncologist, but they reserve the right to request an interpretation by another SonoPath specialist first, and will be at an additional charge.