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**DR. ANNE CHAUVET'S BIG DOG/BIG LOSER PROGRAM PRESENTED  
TO INTERNATIONAL VETERINARY FORUM IN MONTREAL**

**SARASOTA, Fla.**, June 9, 2009 – Dr. Anne Chauvet of Veterinary Neuro Services presented findings from her Big Dog/Big Loser weight loss competition at the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine Forum held in Montreal, Quebec, June 3-6.

Chauvet presented the paper, titled “Exercise and Active Client Motivation Improve Rate of Weight Loss in Obese Dogs,” along with Dr. Alexander German, who researches overweight dogs and cats in the Royal Canin Weight Management Clinic at the University of Liverpool, United Kingdom. The study showed that an organized exercise program improves weight loss when included in conventional canine weight loss plans, Chauvet said.

Data for the paper was gathered from the 12-week Big Dog/Big Loser weight loss competition held in 2007 in which eight obese dogs from Sarasota and Manatee counties lost weight on a healthy diet and exercise regimen. German gathered data from a control group of dogs.

**About Veterinary Neuro Services:**

Dr. Anne Chauvet, one of about 150 veterinary neurologists and neurosurgeons in North America, is the founder of Veterinary Neuro Services in Sarasota, Fla. Veterinary Neuro Services treats brain, spinal cord and neuromuscular conditions in animals and is the only strictly neurology and neurosurgery practice on the Gulf Coast. It is located at 3900 Clark Rd., Building M, Unit 4, Sarasota, Fla. More information is available by calling 941-929-1818 or online at [www.PetNeuro.com](http://www.PetNeuro.com).

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