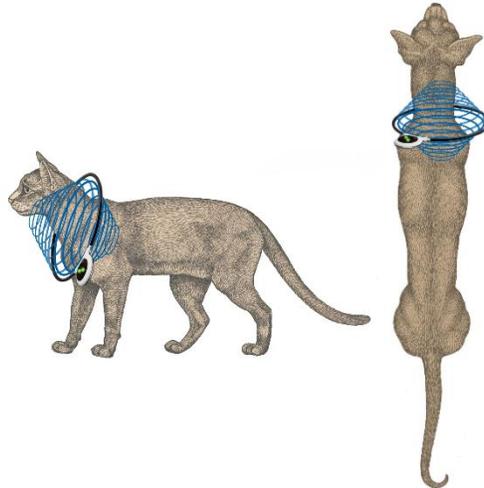


## Neck Pain or Injury – Lower Cervical – Chronic

Older sports injury, osteoarthritis, Wobbler Syndrome, intervertebral disc disease (IVDD), neck pain, blown disc, ventral slot, fibrocartilaginous embolism (FCE), pain from spondylosis, degenerative spinal changes, neuropathy.



1. A small or large Assisi Loop can be used to treat the lower cervical (neck) area in the pet depending on the size of the pet. Dachshund- and Chihuahua-sized pets do best with small Assisi Loops. Larger breeds need the larger Loop. Positioning is extremely important for optimum effect.
2. Position the pet lying down either flat on the ground or up on their elbows.
3. Place the Assisi Loop on the side of the neck if you are confident of the location of the injury. If not confident of the location of the injury, place the Loop over the head. **See Pictures and Diagrams**
4. Placing the Loop over the head treats a larger section of the spine making it easier to position the Loop properly and be confident that you are treating the correct area. **See Pictures and Diagrams**
5. Placing the Assisi Loop over the head:
  - a. Place the Assisi Loop over the head of the pet with the signal generator toward the ground. Place the top of the Loop just in front of the pet's shoulders; this will allow proper treatment as well as help hold the Loop in place. **See Pictures and Diagrams**
  - b. If the pet is head shy, cover their eyes while placing the Loop over the head.
6. **CAUTION: Do not force the Assisi Loop over the pet's head. If it does not slip easily over the head, place the Loop against the animal's head, resting on top of the ears and nose. Forcing the animal's head through the coil can be traumatic to the pet and may overly stress the connection of the coil to the circuit board inside the Loop case.**
7. The signal generator should be located in view of the person treating the pet.
8. Do not leave the pet unattended when using this placement as small movements can change the positioning of the Loop and the area being treated.
9. Turn the unit on by depressing the button on the front of the white rubberized signal generator; green lights will illuminate about once per second. If the light is blinking 2-3 times per second, the battery is running low and a new Assisi Loop should be purchased.

10. Keep the unit in place for the full 15 minutes until the unit shuts off.
11. Use the Assisi Loop 4 times daily, if possible, for 10 days or until there is improved mobility and pain is greatly decreased or eliminated. Use of the Loop can be tapered down to 1-2 times daily as the condition improves. Long-term chronic conditions may require as much as 3-6 weeks before tapering would be appropriate. If symptoms resolve and regular use of the Assisi Loop ceases, use the Assisi Loop as needed if pain starts to recur. If there is an acute injury in a neck that has chronic disease, follow the steps in “Neck Pain or Injury – Lower Cervical – Acute” until all pain is resolved.
12. There should be a minimum of 2 hours between treatments for optimum battery efficiency
13. If Prednisone is administered and tapered, the Assisi Loop can be tapered after the Prednisone is discontinued.
14. Wobbler Syndrome can be a lifelong condition where significant activity creates inflammation. Many patients benefit significantly from having once-daily treatments after the clinical signs have resolved to prevent recurrences.
15. It is common to utilize the Assisi Loop after unusual activity when chronic neck issues exist.



**Pet Owner Responsibility.** A panel of licensed, experienced veterinarians has developed this Guide. Pet owners should use this protocol only to treat a condition listed above and as directed by a qualified veterinary clinician. Other protocols in this Guide should be used only as directed by a qualified veterinary clinician.

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