

## ACC - Dental Stages

### Stages of Canine Periodontal disease:

**Grade 1 - Gingivitis:** The gum at the top of teeth is inflamed and swollen, and plaque covers the teeth. Treatment can reverse this condition.

**Grade 2 - Early Periodontitis:** Heavy plaque build-up. The entire attached gum is inflamed and swollen. The pet's mouth may be painful, and bad breath is noticeable. A professional dental cleaning and home dental care can prevent this from becoming irreversible.

**Grade 3 - Moderate Periodontitis:** Infection and calculus are destroying the gum, now bright red and bleeding. The pet's mouth may be sore due to inflammation and gingival recession, which can affect eating and behavior. Bad breath is consistent. Slight to moderate bone loss. Periodontitis has started and may be irreversible.

**Grade 4 - Advanced Periodontitis:** Heavy calculus, severe gum inflammation, loose and/or missing teeth, bleeding gums, and deep pockets. The pet's mouth is likely sore at this stage. Chronic disease can be causing the gums to recede and bone loss that can lead to loose or missing teeth. Bacteria may be spreading in the bloodstream throughout the body, which can damage kidneys, liver and heart.

### Stages of Feline Periodontal Disease:

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