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The Health & Rescue Foundation of PBGVCA has teamed up with the AKC Canine Health Foundation to fund a study looking at the prevalence and clinical features of **idiopathic epilepsy**, a chronic seizure disorder, in PBGVs in North America. The study is being conducted by Dr. Karen Muñana (DVM, MS, DACVIM), a Professor of Veterinary Neurology at NC State University College of Veterinary Medicine and an expert on epilepsy in dogs.

How prevalent is idiopathic epilepsy in the PBGV?

To determine the prevalence of epilepsy in PBGVs in North America, we are conducting a very simple survey that we are asking **ALL** PBGV owners to complete, regardless of whether you have owned a dog with seizures. The survey asks how many PBGVs you have owned that were born between 2010 and 2024, and how many of these dogs experienced seizures.

To get an accurate prevalence, it is critical that YOU answer the survey! Please take a few minutes to complete the survey, which can be accessed through the QR code or link below:

https://ncsu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6DmfzqFayNv0Fa6



If none of your PBGVs have experienced seizures, then your job is done.

Owners who have had PBGVs with seizures will be asked to provide their email if they consent to complete a second more detailed survey. The purpose of the second survey is to differentiate idiopathic epilepsy from other causes of seizures and determine the characteristic clinical features of idiopathic epilepsy in PBGVs.

Responses from all surveys will remain confidential.

For questions regarding this study, please contact us at:

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