

Position Statement: Non-Surgical Contraception

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The Association of Shelter Veterinarians (ASV) supports the development of non-surgical sterilization and contraceptive methods. These methods should be proven safe and effective through appropriately structured scientific research, published in peer-reviewed veterinary literature, and approved through designated regulatory channels. Since there are currently no products which meet the above criteria, surgical gonadectomy is recommended for animals being adopted from shelters. The ASV believes that non-surgical sterilization and contraception methods will become essential components of a comprehensive, humane approach to animal population control

Resources:

Alliance for Contraception in Cats and Dogs: <http://www.acc-d.org>.