



Renee D. Riepe

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Dr. Riepe became determined to become a cardiologist her first year of veterinary school at the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine. While in veterinary school, she focused on cardiovascular disease. In her senior year, Dr. Riepe was recognized with the "Outstanding Student in Small Animal Medicine" award. After graduating from veterinary school, she became an intern at The University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine and continued to follow her interest in cardiology. In 1993, she began her cardiology residency at the University of Illinois. In 1996, she finished her residency and joined the staff at Oakland Veterinary Referral Service. Dr. Riepe works with many Sphynx breeders to screen their cats for HCM, a heart muscle disease. Other interests include endocrine associated myocardial disease, pulmonary hypertension, mitral valve disease, DCM, complex arrhythmias and congenital defects.

Dr. Riepe's service involves close relationship with owners. Emily and Holly are the cardiology technicians who work closely to assure that questions are answered, prescriptions are refilled and families are comforted. Client education is very important to Dr. Riepe. She wants everyone to fully understand their pet's illness and the designed treatment plan.

Dr. Riepe has one son who plays football. She has two horses, a donkey and a mule. The donkey and mule came from a rescue after being abused. Dr. Riepe has worked to socialize them and give them understanding. They are doing very well and are able to show some affection toward family members. Dr. Riepe also has dogs, cats, a pig, guinea pigs and birds. She owns a Sphynx cat. Dr. Riepe's favorite thing is to be with horses.

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