



## News Release

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### **2nd Chance 4 Pets Leads Webinar Series to Help Pet Owners Plan for the Possibility That Their Pets Might Outlive Them**

LOS GATOS, Calif. (August 2013) — Amy Shever, director of the nonprofit organization 2nd Chance 4 Pets, will lead webinars for the International Association for Animal Hospice and Palliative Care (IAAHPC), the Grey Muzzle Organization, PetSmart Charities, and Pet Sitters International (PSI).

The webinars will explore options available to ensure lifetime care for pets including ways pet owners can make certain their pets will always receive care, even if their pets outlive them. The audiences for these webinars include pet owners, veterinarians, animal welfare organizations and pet sitters.

More than 500,000 pets enter U.S. shelters each year because they have outlived their owners. Many of these animals do not adjust well to the experience in a shelter; they refuse to eat and are labeled “unadoptable”. The lives of these pets could have been saved if their owners had planned for the continued care of their pets.

2nd Chance for Pets webinars will be held during the following dates and times:

**International Association for Animal Hospice and Palliative Care** ([www.iaahpc.org](http://www.iaahpc.org))  
August 11, 2013, 8:00 PM EDT

**Grey Muzzle Organization** ([www.greymuzzle.org](http://www.greymuzzle.org))  
October 24, 2013, 7:00 PM EDT

**PetSmart Charities** ([www.petsmartcharities.org](http://www.petsmartcharities.org))

November 12, 2013, 12:30 PM EDT

**Pet Sitters International** ([www.petsit.com](http://www.petsit.com))

November 20, 2013, 4:00 PM EDT

### **About 2nd Chance 4 Pets**

The mission of 2nd Chance 4 Pets is to reduce the number of pets unnecessarily surrendered to animal shelters each year due to the death or incapacity of the human companions who care for them. 2nd Chance 4 Pets is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3), all-volunteer organization. The organization works nationwide to provide pet owners with comprehensive information and lifetime care solutions for their pets. Please visit [www.2ndchance4pets.org](http://www.2ndchance4pets.org) for more information.

### **About International Association for Animal Hospice & Palliative Care (IAAHPC)**

The International Association for Animal Hospice and Palliative Care is dedicated to promoting knowledge of, and developing guidelines for, comfort-oriented care to companion animals as they approach the end of life. For more information please visit [www.iaahpc.org](http://www.iaahpc.org).

### **About The Grey Muzzle Organization**

The Grey Muzzle Organization greatly improves the life of at-risk senior dogs by providing funding and resources to animal shelters, rescue organizations, sanctuaries, and other non-profit groups nationwide. Grey Muzzle funds programs to help old dogs at animal welfare organizations across the country. For more information please visit [www.greymuzzle.org](http://www.greymuzzle.org).

### **About PetSmart Charities**

PetSmart Inc. established PetSmart Charities in 1994 as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization committed to supporting animal welfare and animal adoption. The PetSmart Charities' mission is to improve the quality of life for all pets by creating and supporting programs that save the lives of homeless pets and to promote healthy relationships between people and pets. PetSmart Charities is assisting more than 3,400 animal welfare organizations to help pets throughout the United States and Canada. For more information please visit [www.petsmartcharities.org](http://www.petsmartcharities.org).

### **About Pet Sitters International (PSI)**

Pet Sitters International is the world's largest educational association for professional pet sitters. The organization is dedicated to promoting pet-sitting excellence through education. Pet Sitters International has been encouraging animal lovers from all walks of life to change their passion for pets into profit. For more information please visit [www.petsit.com](http://www.petsit.com).

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