



VET CHRONICLES

WITH DR. P



Vet Chronicles with Dr. P is a laugh out loud, feel good show that combines the best in veterinary medicine with terrific characters. The backdrop is in and around a first rate family owned business, the prestigious New Canaan Veterinarian Hospital located in the heart of New Canaan Connecticut. Led by Dr. Potenza, one of the most skilled and loveable characters in Veterinary Medicine on the East Coast, every day is an adventure into the unique and cutting edge medical and dental care of dogs and cats.

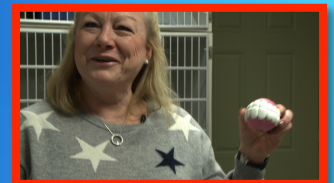
What makes Potenza's practice particularly amazing is not just the terrific care animals receive, but that the team relishes a pleasant atmosphere, always lightening the tension with an appropriately placed joke or prank. They also expertly switch gears on a dime, working quickly and professionally when an animal arrives requiring attention.



While Dr. P operates on hundreds of animals per year, he also finds time to do important pro bono work for non-profit rescue organizations, including Red Leash Rescue. In fact he's had the pleasure of saving many "super senior" dogs, 10 years or older, from being euthanized. With his critical medical care, they can now be adopted out to lead healthy, pain free lives for their remaining years.



But Dr. P doesn't spend all of his time in the hospital saving lives. He's also out in the community, meeting with clients, riding his motorcycle, working out at the gym and learning Italian from his hilarious mother along with wife Priscilla. He's also a regular fixture at New Canaan's famous "Yappy Hour" where he helps out as a celebrity guest bartender to raise money for animal rescue. When he's pouring drinks, his wife Priscilla is never far behind, making sure he's got the order right. While Dr. P protests the close scrutiny, he concedes that, "after 35 years of marriage she's got my back. She's always on my team!"



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Along with Priscilla, who also assists with administrative duties, Paul's daughter Allie plays a key role working closely with clients and often the first person they see when they enter the practice. Allie, who refers to her dad as her "best friend", keeps him on his toes with well-placed jokes and witty humor.

Dr. P's Staff also includes a cadre of terrific warm and animated characters that include fellow veterinarian, Dr. Stefanie Boggess; Michelle, head vet tech; Kelley, assistant tech; Jamie, a surgical assistant and Tina who manages the practice.



Potential story lines for the first season

- ❖ Emergency Cases involving dogs and cats- anything from trauma to surgeries and triage. These are all hands on deck cases that show off the staff's excellent teamwork.
- ❖ A Golden Retriever is rushed to the hospital after ingesting corn on the cob, a potentially life threatening situation with the potential of obstructing the intestines. Dr. P quickly X-rays the animal and performs an emergency endoscopy, removing the cob. The owners are overjoyed!
- ❖ After local pet owners adopt their second cat they are shocked to return from lunch to see that the pair have been in a fight. The new cat, bit severely around the head and ears by the jealous longtime resident, requires stitches. After performing the operation, Allie, Dr P's daughter, helps the family find a new owner for the injured cat. It's a bittersweet moment but overall the family is pleased.
- ❖ Dr. P provides emergency dental surgery for a "super senior" dog that would otherwise be euthanized. His intervention leads to a successful adoption and an excellent quality of life for the animal's final years.
- ❖ Dr. P, a bit of a local celebrity, is auctioned off for a dinner at the New Canaan Mounted Troop annual auction where he regularly fetches bids of more than \$5,000. He's also a local bartender for "Yappy Hour", an animal rights fundraiser
- ❖ Priscilla searches for a new animal statue mascot for the parking lot. The current one, a 6' art deco cat with chipping paint is fast becoming a thorn in her side. She decides to replace it with a dog. After a region wide search she finds the perfect statue and decides to have the mascot painted by a local artist whose also a client and loveable character.
- ❖ Dr. P treats the local police dog, a very well behaved German Shepherd named Apollo. He goes to the precinct for the treatment and talks with the captain who always appreciates the good work.
- ❖ Dr. P and the staff go on a picnic to the beach with their dogs. The local Dog Frisbee coach is there to sanction a game to see which pet reigns supreme.
- ❖ Sienna, Priscilla and Paul's younger daughter, is home for the summer from her sophomore year in college and decides to intern at the practice. Known for her comedic timing and outgoing personality she quickly becomes a favorite for the regular clients. However, she's grossed out by the more invasive procedures, something that older sister Allie finds extremely comical.
- ❖ Dr. P and Priscilla visit Kelley's house to see her spider, roach and snake collection. Kelley, also a quick wit and terrific character has two sets of roach families named the Jacksons and the Johnsons. She eventually gets them to hold the friendly roaches, a hilarious moment in non-scripted television history.
- ❖ Watching Dr. P with his Mr. T look alike personal trainer and motivational personality, Ralph, is pure comedy. Ralph inflicts a grueling workout as payback after Dr. P offers an unwanted lecture on the importance of flea and tick prevention. Ralph, who prides himself on having perfectly groomed dogs, eventually discovers that they're itching and require treatment. With his tail between his legs, he visits the practice with his pets and Dr. P, still recovering from his workout, revels in the "I told you so" moment.

