



The Super Senior Sheepie Support Initiative

Overview:

In order to improve the lives of at-risk OES, 10 years of age or older, that are adopted through NEOESR we may provide funding and resources for certain senior OES. NEOESR recognizes that caring for a senior OES is a major responsibility. However senior dogs deserve to be celebrated and valued, to be protected from discrimination because of their age and to be given the best health care available. By providing financial assistance to the adopters of these seniors, we hope to perpetuate the bond that will exist with their OES. The focus is intended to aid in the adoption of these senior dogs with chronic but manageable health problems or with disabilities.

Requirements:

Applicants for this program must maintain their membership in NEOESR.

Coverage:

NEOESR may cover the following:

A senior blood panel once a year, and treatment, including medications, for varying conditions ranging from heart problems, epilepsy, autoimmune diseases, diabetes, pancreatic insufficiency, canine dementia, and joint or orthopedic problems and other conditions.

We will consider each dog on a case by case basis at the time of the adoption. The Placement team will retain final determination that such care is necessary and beneficial for the OES and can be provided within the parameters of our mission. In general we won't cover cancer treatment other than surgery. Our intent is to cover expenses in order that the adoptive owner will not have to make the difficult decision to put the dog down due to the costs. Under no circumstances are we intending to prolong life when the dog would be better going to the Rainbow Bridge as directed by the attending vet and the adopter.

The adoptive home will provide for the daily needs of the dog: love, food, shelter, exercise, grooming, flea and tick preventatives, this includes annual check-ups, a heartworm preventative program and annual vaccinations program as established by the dog's veterinarian.

Expenses:

All expenses must be preapproved and will be paid directly to the veterinarian or pharmacy. NEOESR reserves the right to deny any procedure.

Lastly, this initiative may be terminated at any time by a vote of the NEOESR Board of Directors.