

DESCEMETOCELE

Your pet has been diagnosed with a severe type of deep corneal ulcer known as a descemetocele. The cornea is made up of several layers, and the thin Descemet's membrane is the deepest layer. With a descemetocele, the cornea has eroded all the way down to Descemet's membrane, and the only thing keeping the eye from perforating is this thin layer. Sometimes the pressure from the fluid inside the eye will push against the Descemet's membrane and cause it to protrude.

The recommended treatment for a descemetocele is surgery (conjunctival flap). Topical medications will be used after surgery. When handling or medicating your pet, you should try to be as gentle as possible. Rough play or restraint could cause the cornea to rupture! Please call if you have any questions.