ACTH Stimulation Test

This test can be used to diagnose Addison's disease. It can also be used to diagnose Cushing's disease. Fasting is not required for this test. You will drop your pet off with us in the morning and they can typically go home around noon. When your pet first arrives we collect a blood sample to establish a baseline. Then we give an injection of synthetic ACTH (Adenocorticoticotropic hormone). Another blood sample is collected one hour post injection.

*If your pet is already on Trilostane medication, which is given with food, the first sample of blood needs to be collected four hours post pill.