



## Shyla Blair

July 24, 2017

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“ Shyla was adopted when she was around 5 years old. Within the first week at our home, she collapsed and almost died. She was like a ragdoll when I picked her up out of her bed. After rushing her to the hospital, she was somewhat stabilized and admitted. My vet is an amazing man. He stayed up and studied until he found a somewhat rare disease that seemed to be the same as what she was experiencing. There was one test that would give us a definitive answer, a specialized ACTH Resistancy test. Turns out, he was correct!

Shyla was diagnosed with Addison's Disease. Neither of her adrenal glands were functioning whatsoever. Turns out that we were lucky that neither side worked, that just made her easier to treat! She recieved a Percorten shot every 28-30 days which controlled her sodium, potassium and electrolytes. Without this shot, her potassium would shoot up, slow her heart and would eventually send her into cardiac arrest. She also had to take liquid steroids daily to replace the adrenaline that her body no longer made. Extra doses of steroids were required during stressful or sick times. She did beautifully as long as her medications were on schedule, she was the same as any healthy dog!

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“ This was Shyla's way of saying "please."



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