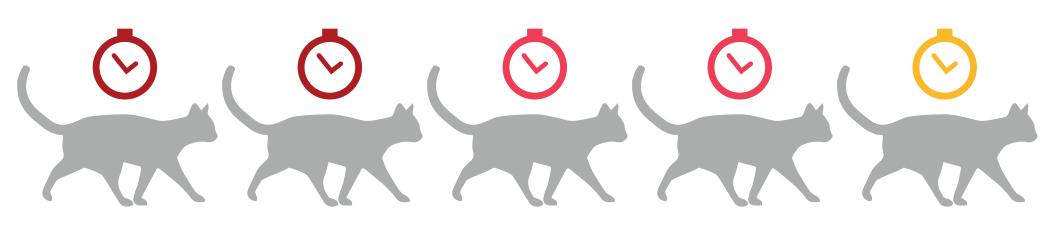
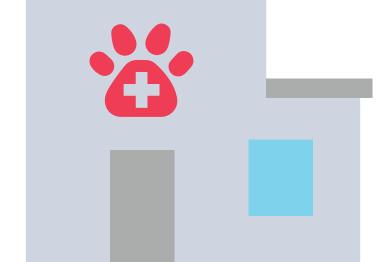
For several months in 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic, a significant number of spay and neuter clinics closed their doors. Even today, appointments for spay and neuter surgery—especially low-cost—remain extremely limited. In many cases, the wait is months long.







#### Fortunately, there is another option – Megestrol Acetate (MA)



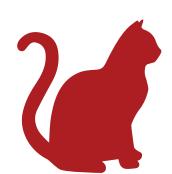
### Halt Estrus

Short-term prevention of estrus ("heat") in female cats for up to 7 months until spay can be performed.



## Rx Required

A veterinarian prescription is required and liquid MA must be compounded.



### **Treatment**

The liquid compound can be given orally or mixed into food. Recommended for community cats if given carefully so each cat gets the proper dosage.



# Megestrol Acetate (MA)

Short-term non-surgical contraception for female cats

### Safe & Effective\*

Recommended for contraception by veterinarians when used at the proper low dosage. Already used safely in cats to treat other medical conditions with minimal side effects.



## **Maintenance Dosage**



One 2.5 mg dose to an unspayed cat once a week for up to 30 weeks.

## **Heat Cycle Dosage**



If a cat is in heat, 5 mg per day for three days, then maintenance dosage.

Cat caregivers, animal shelter professionals, animal protection groups, and veterinarians:

Learn more at alleycat.org/Contraception

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