



## News Release

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### **2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 4 Pets Director Speaks on Lifetime Planning for Pets at National Association of Professional Geriatric Care Manager's Annual Conference**

LOS GATOS, CA (May 5, 2008) – 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 4 Pets Director, Amy Shever presented a workshop about *lifetime care planning for companion animals* at the 2008 National Association of Professional Geriatric Care Manager's annual conference in Orlando, Florida. The workshop was one of fifteen addressed to professional Geriatric Care Managers who work with the elderly, people with disabilities and families who need assistance with care giving issues.

“Professional Geriatric Care Managers are essential partners in our mission to prevent thousands of pets relinquished and euthanized in animal shelters each year due to their owner's death or disability,” Shever notes, “Once these professional caregivers understand the sad consequence of this long unrecognized issue, they're anxious to raise awareness and provide resources to their pet owner clients, thus helping ensure lifetime care for their companion animals.”

#### **About 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 4 Pets:**

The mission of 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 4 Pets is to reduce the number of pets unnecessarily euthanized each year due to the death or incapacity of the human companions who care for them. 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 4 Pets is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) all-volunteer organization. The organization works nationwide to provide pet owners with comprehensive information and lifetime care solutions for their pets. Please visit [www.2ndchance4pets.org](http://www.2ndchance4pets.org) for more information.

#### **About the National Association of Professional Geriatric Care Managers:**

NAPGCM was formed in 1984 to advance dignified care for older adults and their families in the Professional Geriatric Care Managers. PGCMS are professionals who have extensive training and experience working with older people, people with disabilities and families who need assistance with care giving issues. They assist families in the search for a

suitable nursing home placement or extended care if the need occurs. The practice of geriatric care management and the role of care providers have captured a national spotlight, as generations of Baby Boomers age in the United States and abroad. For more information, please visit [www.caremanager.org](http://www.caremanager.org).