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Dr. Alicia Howser grew up in the Mojave Desert in Southern California. She completed her Bachelor Degree in Animal Sciences with a minor in Business Administration at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.

After finishing her undergraduate degree, she became a licensed veterinary technician working in a bustling general practice and emergency hospital on the Central Coast. However, it was always the plan to become a veterinarian and after a couple of years away from school, she pursued this dream attending veterinary school at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland.

Dr. Howser finished her veterinary degree in 2014 and did a rotating internship in Indianapolis, where her love for surgery blossomed. Since then, she has done various specialized surgical internships and completed her three-year surgery residency at Summit Veterinary Referral Center in Tacoma.

Throughout her training, Dr. Howser has come to enjoy all types of surgical cases, both orthopedic and soft tissue, but some of her favorite areas include cardiothoracic surgery, oncologic surgery, and TPLOs. She is actively developing her minimally invasive arthroscopic skills as well.

Living in Tacoma led to a love for the Pacific Northwest and the desire to settle here. In her free time, Dr. Howser enjoys spending time with her partner and their two dogs, a feisty French Bulldog named Pinot, and the sweetest three-legged Coonhound mix named Daisey.

She enjoys traveling, camping, hiking, and skiing. The recent pandemic reignited her interest in golf and she can be found out on the golf course about once a week if the weather is fair.

Dr. Howser is happy to promote the health and well-being of the PNW pets and she looks forward to continuing an adventurous PNW lifestyle.

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