# **Local Support Resources**

Some dogs may benefit from a little extra TLC. Use these resources to connect with local dog behavior professionals and trainers near you:

### Board-Certified Veterinary Behaviorist (DACVB):

A board-certified Veterinary Behaviorist (also known as a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Behaviorists or DACVB) is a veterinarian specializing in clinical animal behavior, equipped to diagnose and treat medical and behavioral issues, including prescribing medications. At Ease, Drs. Lisa Radosta, Kenneth Martin, and Sheila Segurson are DACVBs. Find a DACVB near you here.

### Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist (CAAB):

A Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist holds an advanced degree in a field related to animal behavior, such as a master's or Ph.D., and has completed the certification program by the Animal Behavior Society. While working with a CAAB, you may also need to involve your primary veterinarian because CAABs cannot prescribe medication unless they are also veterinarians. Dr. Mikel Delgado is a CAAB at Ease. Find a CAAB near you here.

## Dog Training Professionals

Karen Pryor Academy Certified Training Partner (KPA CTP):

A Karen Pryor Academy Certified Training Partner is a dog trainer recognized for exceptional technical expertise and hands-on skills. Debbie Martin at Ease is a KPA CTP. Find a KPA CTP near you here.

### Certified Dog Behavior Consultant (CDBC):

A Certified Dog Behavior Consultant is professionally certified by the International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants, specializing in addressing and modifying dog behavior issues using positive reinforcement. At Ease, Dr. Sophie Liu is a CDBC. Find a CDBC near you here.

### Certified Professional Dog Trainer (CPDT):

A Certified Professional Dog Trainer is committed to ethical standards and effective use of Least Intrusive, Minimally Aversive practices. Find a CPDT near you here.

#### Fear Free Certified Professional:

Fear Free Certified Professionals focus on alleviating fear, anxiety, and stress in pets. At Ease, the entire team consists of Fear Free Certified Professionals, many holding advanced certifications and leadership positions at Fear Free. Locate Free Professionals near you here.

