

# SURGICAL INFORMATION PACKET



Dear Clients,

Your pet has been scheduled for an upcoming surgery. In our attempt to assist clients, we have put together this packet to make surgery day as easy and stress – free as possible.

In addition to this letter, you will find that the following information has been enclosed:

1. Pre – anesthetic Blood Testing Information Form (**Initial and bring in the day of surgery**).
2. Surgical Information Sheet (**Initial and bring in the Day of Surgery**).

Please read carefully all the enclosed information. If you have any questions, please feel free to call us. In addition, on your pet's surgery day, we require you review and sign an **Authorization and an Estimate Form** – which allows you to choose any optional services which will be explained. This form is not included in the packet. We also require a phone number(s) where you can be reached on your pet's scheduled surgery day. This allows the doctor to contact you should any questions or concerns arise.

The night before your pet's surgery:

- **Withhold all food and treats after 12:00 am (midnight).**
- **Water may be left down until the morning.**
- **If you are currently administering any medication, vitamins, and/or injections, withhold the morning dosage unless otherwise instructed by the doctor.**

Please make arrangements for your pet to be dropped off the morning of scheduled surgery (unless other arrangements have been made in advance). New clients are required to have a pre-surgical visit the morning of the procedure, please make a scheduled appointment. At the time of drop off our team will be happy to answer any questions or concerns and collect the completed **Information Forms**.

Our veterinary technician will check your pet in and go over medications and review your pet's scheduled procedure. If you have elected any of the recommended blood tests, our technician will perform these tests prior to surgery. This allows the doctor to contact you should any questions or concerns arise.

Our veterinary technician will call you at the time your pet is fully awake from their procedure. If you are concerned you are welcome to check up on your pet's status anytime. However, we ask you to remember that surgery takes time. During the status call our technician will be able to give you an idea when your pet may be discharged. When you arrive to take your pet home, the receptionist will bill you out and either the doctor or the veterinary technician will go over all discharge orders verbally and give you a written copy. If you do not understand any of the instructions, please do not hesitate to ask them to go over them one more time.

We hope surgery day will be a pleasant experience. Remember, our team knows surgery can be an anxious time and we are always available to answer any and all questions concerning the upcoming procedure.

We look forward to serving you and your pet on the upcoming surgery day and for years to come.