

PARVIN ANIMAL CLINIC

SURGICAL INFORMATION PACKET

Dear Client,

Your pet has been scheduled for an upcoming surgery in the near future. In our attempt to assist you, 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 (**Bring in Day of Surgery**)
2. Surgical Information Sheet (**Bring in Day of Surgery**)

Please read carefully all the enclosed information. If you have any questions, please feel free to call us. If you require a written estimate before the procedure, please request one.

We require a phone number(s) where you can be reached surgery time, usually during the hours of 11-3.

Failure to be reached on the day of the procedure may result in postponement of the surgery. Initialing below allows us to handle your pets' decisions in the best interest of the pet (i.e., tooth extraction, IV fluids, additional pain medicine), if needed. Initial one option below:

- 1) **Yes, do whatever my pet needs, no matter the cost:** _____
- 2) **Yes, do whatever my pet needs, not to exceed an additional \$ _____ ;** _____
- 3) **I will be available and please call me before any additional procedures:** _____
- 4) **No, only do what we have scheduled and discussed no matter what.** _____

The night before your pet's surgery...

- **Withhold all food and treats after 10:00 pm.**
- **Water may be left down until 6:00 am.**
- **If you are currently administering any medications, vitamins and/or injections, withhold the morning doses unless otherwise instructed by the doctor.**
- **Please inform us of any medicines that were given 48 hours before surgery**

Please make arrangements for your pet to be dropped off on the morning of scheduled surgery before 9:00 a.m., unless other arrangements have been made in advance. If your pet is staying the night with us, please bring all medications he or she may need. At time of drop off, our team will be happy to answer any questions/concerns and collect the enclosed/completed **Authorization Form**.

A team member will escort your pet to the prepping area to wait for their surgery. Our team will collect all blood samples and tests prior to surgery.

If any questions arise, the doctor may contact you at the number(s) on the Authorization Form.

You are welcome to check up on your pet's status, however, we request that you allow plenty of time for your pet's procedure to be done. We strive to call every client after a procedure to go over the details. At this time, we 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 a team member will go over all discharge orders verbally and give you a written copy. If you do not understand any 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 years to come.

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PRE-ANESTHETIC BLOOD TESTING INFORMATION FORM

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

Our greatest concern is the well-being of your pet. Before putting your pet under anesthesia, we routinely perform a full physical examination, CBC (complete blood count), chemistry panel, and electrolyte level.

The **Pre-Anesthetic Blood Profile** helps alert our surgeon to the presence of dehydration, anemia, infection, diabetes and/or kidney or liver disease that could complicate the procedure. These conditions may not be detected **without** a pre-anesthetic profile thus not allowing for the most appropriate and safest anesthetic regime to be administered. These tests are similar to those your own physician would run if you were to undergo anesthesia. In addition, these tests establish a baseline and may be useful if your pet's health changes to develop faster, more accurate diagnoses and treatments.

1. **The Complete Blood Count (CBC) and Pre-Anesthetic Profile** which includes:

- **CBC:** PCV (Anemia), White Blood Cell Count (Infection) & Red Blood Cell Count (Anemia/Bleeding Disorder), Platelet Count (Clotting Disorder)
- **Profile:** BUN and Creatinine (Kidneys), ALKP and ALT (Liver), Glucose (Sugar), Total Protein (Dehydration), and Electrolytes (Imbalance).

2. **Owner can elect not to have Pre-Anesthetic blood work done ONLY if they have received a spay or neuter voucher from BARC. The vouchers do not cover the additional cost of these tests, but are always recommended. Please ask the receptionist for more details.**

Our feline owners are also given a **FeLV/FIV Test** option. We highly recommend this test be performed on all feline patients at least once in their lives because Feline Leukemia and Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (Feline Aids) are viruses for which no cure exists. These viruses are contagious to other cats. Please ask questions if you would like to learn more about Feline Leukemia and Feline Aids.

We have selected tests that give the doctors a suitable overview of healthy patients. The Doctor may also recommend other test(s) not included in the list above. If the patient is in their senior years (above 9 years old) or are sick, the senior profile, which adds a T4 (thyroid) level and urinalysis, or a more comprehensive blood chemistry panel can be done the day of the procedure at the owner's request. Please ask us how much extra this will cost.

We realize surgery and anesthesia are scary for both the owner and patient and we attempt to make surgery day as safe and comfortable for all involved. The physical examination and blood work done prior to any surgical procedure allows us to best minimize anesthetic and surgical risks and maximize patient safety.

If you have any questions or hesitations about the scheduled procedure, please do not hesitate to call us so that we may help you feel more comfortable and fully understand the procedure.

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Anesthetic Procedures & Risks

We use a combination of pre-anesthetic medications/injectable and/or inhalant anesthetics to achieve optimum levels of anesthesia that are safe for your pet.

For short procedures, an injectable anesthetic may be given alone that produces a good plane of surgical anesthesia with a quick recovery.

For most procedures, your pet is anesthetized and then intubated (insertion of a tube into the trachea or wind pipe). This will ensure that your pet is able to receive oxygen and inhaled anesthetic gas at all times and prevents aspiration of any fluids into the lungs.

Monitoring & Pain Management-Monitoring of patients during anesthesia is done in two ways. First, a team member is with your pet continuously from beginning of anesthesia through recovery. Second, we have a computerized monitor that records heart rate, blood pressure, oxygen levels, respiration, ECG, and core temperature.

Our clinic strongly believes in compassionate, quality, medical care for our patients. As a result, all surgery patients will receive pain management before, during and after surgery. Additionally, pain medication may be sent home with you. Additional information will be given at discharge. We hope this program will reduce any discomfort experienced and aid in a quicker recovery.

Intravenous Catheterization & Fluids

We highly recommend the placement of an IV catheter and use of IV fluids during all anesthetic procedures. This allows us to have quick, available access to the circulatory system (blood) in case of an unforeseen emergency. The fluids help provide support to the circulatory system and prevent dehydration, as well as aid in a quicker recovery from anesthesia.

Potential Surgical Complications

1. Canine and Feline Spay/Neuter

1. Bleeding 2. Infection 3. Suture reactions 4. Urinary Incontinence 5. Weight Gain

2. Feline Declaw

1. Bleeding 2. Infection 3. Limping/Lameness

3. Tumor/Lump Removal

1. Bleeding 2. Infection 3. Swelling and Drainage 4. Suture Reaction

It is important for you to understand that there is always a risk of anesthetic and surgical complications anytime these procedures are performed. We strive to take the highest quality care of your pet and take all the added precautions you allow to avoid potential problems. Thank you for entrusting your pet to us.

PRINT NAME _____

CLIENT SIGNATURE _____

CLIENT'S PHONE NUMBER _____

ADDITIONAL NUMBER _____

PATIENT NAME _____