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PREPROCEDURE INFORMATION

Your pet should not have any food or water after 8 p.m. the night before the procedure. Walk your dog before coming into the clinic. Plan to arrive between 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. the morning of the procedure. Some days our schedules are very full, we need to perform procedures in a specific order starting at 8:30. If the pets are not here on time, we may not have enough time to complete all procedures. If you are later than 8:30, we may need to reschedule. Allow time to read and sign an authorization form. Upon request, you will be given a written estimate of scheduled and anticipated services. We will call you when your pet is in recovery and the procedures have been completed. If you have questions about the scheduled procedure(s) that are not answered in the information provided, please call in advance of the procedure date. We want to answer your questions about what is expected to happen. The earliest your pet will be ready to go home after surgery is 3:30p.m. We will not release pets any earlier unless authorized by the doctor. You will be given take home instructions at the time you pick your pet up from surgery. Prior to surgery or procedure, a 50% deposit on the estimate is required. Payment is required in full at the time you pick up your pet. Please consult the front desk for the payment options available.

Our doctors recommend a blood profile to ensure that your pet is in a low risk category prior to anesthesia. This is especially important for dogs over 7 years of age. Some pets may have pre-existing internal conditions that produce surgical complications which may not be apparent on physical exams. These conditions include anemia, abnormal clotting, and problems with the liver, kidney, or other organ conditions. This also gives us a baseline for what is normal in your pet. If your pet is ever sick, we can use this bloodwork as a baseline for comparison.

When your pet is in for a scheduled service there are some other services that might be of benefit to you and your pet. You may authorize these services when your pet is admitted in the morning. Provided below is some information to aid you to making an educated decision.

- 1. If your pet is not yet Microchipped, we can perform the simple injection to permanently identify your pet.**

This allows animal shelters and veterinary clinics to identify your pet if they become lost or stolen.

- 2. X-rays can be taken to assess for hip or elbow dysplasia, arthritis or other medical conditions.**

When pets are sedated or anesthetized we can easily take x-rays that would otherwise be difficult and more stressful to your pet, since they are relaxed. In older pets, radiographs are particularly important in detecting spinal arthritis and disease, changes in the shape and size of the heart, and detecting abnormal calcification in tissues such as in the kidneys and the urinary bladder. With lame (sore or tender) pets, x-rays can detect skeletal issues.

- 3. We can easily perform the following grooming procedures: Toenail trim, Ear Hygiene (plucking hair out of the ears and/or cleaning) or Expressing anal sacs.**

4. Dental Cleanings can also be performed at the time of surgery.

A dental prophylaxis (prophylaxis) is performed to prevent dental disease and keep your pet healthy. This will remove plaque and tartar on the teeth and below the gum line. Dental cleanings are performed while your pet is under anesthesia.

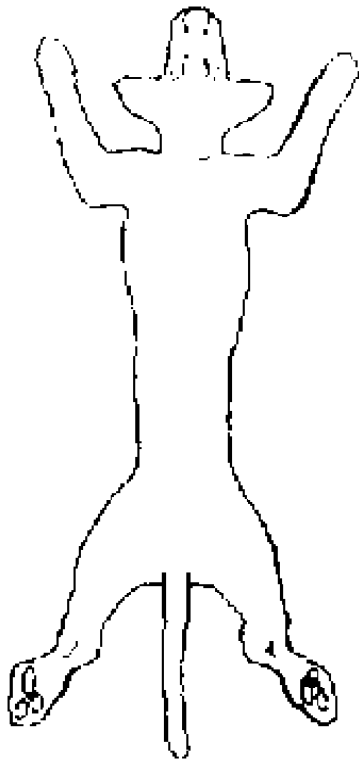
5. Cats can be tested for Feline Leukemia and Feline Aids.

These disease are highly contagious and can be fatal to cats. We can do a simple blood test to detect any of these diseases before surgery is performed.

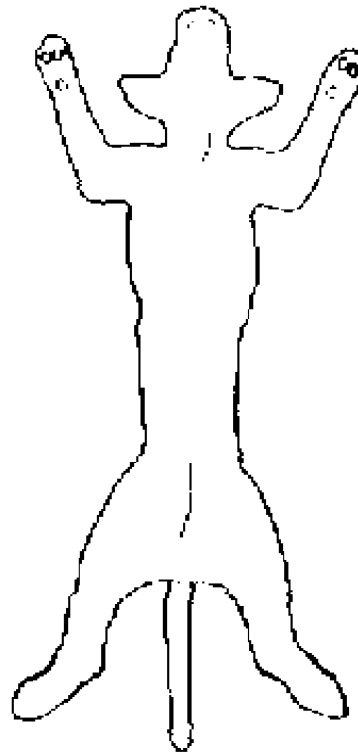
6. Any warts, skin tags, cysts or other lumps can be removed.

Please be prepared to indicate which lumps, masses, etc you wish removed. There is a diagram below to map out the areas you wish addressed. *(Remember to bring this sheet with you when you are dropping off your pet).* List the total number of lumps you wish removed. Masses can be sent to a lab for biopsy testing at the request of the owner or recommendation of the veterinarian.

Left **TOPSIDE** Right



Right **UNDERSIDE** Left



Total Number of Growths/Lumps _____

