



WESTSIDE ANIMAL HOSPITAL

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SPAY DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for bringing your pet to Westside Animal Hospital. Today she has undergone a surgery called a spay, the surgical removal of the female reproductive tract including the ovaries and uterus. This common procedure will prevent her from having puppies/kittens.

In order for your pet to recover from her procedure with minimal complications, you must restrict her normal exercise/activities as follows;

Leash walks only. No running, jumping, swimming, or playing for 14 days.

She will have an incision with stitches or staples on her abdomen. Examine the incision daily for excessive redness, bruising, swelling, or irritation from chewing, licking, and rubbing. Chewing, licking, and rubbing can cause significant infection. Your pet has an E-Collar to prevent this. **Leave the collar on at all times until the incision is healed.** Watch your pet for signs of pain, which can include depression/lethargy, loss of appetite, vomiting, diarrhea, or abdominal tenderness. Also examine the incision site for any discharge such as blood, serum, or pus. **If any of these signs are observed, please call us at 307-472-5600.**

The healthy surgical incision will be healed in 10-14 days. If sutures or skin staples were used to close the incision please make an appointment for their removal in 14 days. There is no charge for this appointment. On occasion we use intra dermal skin sutures. In this case you will not see stitches because they are just under the skin. These do not need to be removed and you will not need a follow up appointment unless the incision appears infected (see above).

Your pet may not want to eat tonight, That's ok. But have food and water available, she will most likely be hungry.

MEDICATIONS: You will have pain medication for your pet. Please read and follow the label instructions for all medications. Also read and understand the above discharge instructions. If you have questions please ask. Post operative care is best when the discharge instructions are followed.

Thanks for choosing Westside Animal Hospital!