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Cystotomy Discharge Instructions

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Zeus has just had a Cystotomy done. This surgical procedure consists of removing bladder stones from the bladder. This is considered a major abdominal surgery.

Once you get Zeus home you should remember:

- Zeus may still be a little groggy for up to 24-48 hours after the anesthetic. It is important to remember to watch them closely around stairs or any other areas where they may injure themselves. Try to not let them jump around since this can increase the chances of injury.
- Tonight only feed 1/2 of the normal volume of food. Anesthesia can slow the movement of food in the digestive tract and cause an upset stomach. Tomorrow regular feeding patterns & amounts are fine.
- Please limit all excessive exercise for 10-14 days or until sutures are removed. The incision should be kept clean & dry.
- You must check the incision daily until sutures are removed for any abnormalities. The incision site shouldn't be anymore red or swollen than what it is today, and should improve each day.
- Please ensure that your pet receives all meds as they have been directed.
- **Prevent any licking** of the incision by using an E-collar or some other device.
- Since this was surgery on the bladder very important to monitor Zeus urinations. A bit of blood in the urine is normal, and should clear up in a few days. Make sure when Zeus urinates it is a constant stream, and there is no straining.
- Sutures are to be removed at no charge in 10-14 days. Please give us a call to book that appointment.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do no hesitate to call us as soon as possible. And please notify the us immediately if you notice any of the following:

- Your pet is licking their incision excessively and there is redness or discharge noticed.
- If your pet has persistent vomiting or diarrhea
- If your pet refuses to eat after the first day or becomes depressed.
- If you have any other questions or concerns..

If you have any concerns after hours please contact the Animal Emergency Clinic at 905-576-3031

