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## ABDOMINAL ULTRASOUND REFERRAL FORM

DATE OF REFERRAL : \_\_\_\_\_

### CLIENT/PATIENT INFORMATION:

Client Info	Patient Info
Name(s):	Name:
Phone number(s): Cell:	Age/DOB:
Home:	Gender (ie. M, MN, F, FS):
Other:	
Address:	Species: Breed:
Email:	Colour: Weight:

**REFERRING VETERINARIAN INFORMATION:**

Hospital:
Veterinarian:
Phone number:
Email:

**HISTORY AND CLINICAL SIGNS (Please do not write 'See Medical Record')**

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**LABORATORY AND RADIOLOGY FINDINGS (*Email recent results with records*)**

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**CURRENT TREATMENTS / MEDICATIONS (Date/Time/Dose)**

**Does your client wish to pursue ultrasound guided aspirates if indicated?**

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

**PT/PTT testing are required for any patients undergoing ultrasound guided fine needle biopsy. If you have not completed them already, we will do them on the day of the visit for the scan. We ask that you discuss this, as well as the associated costs, with the client prior to referral.**

Have PT/PTT testing been completed? If so, when? What were results?

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If PT/PTT testing has not been done, has the veterinarian discussed these with the client?

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

**ANY OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION (Eg. Patient behaviour, notes for our team)**

## PLEASE GO OVER THE FOLLOWING WITH YOUR CLIENT

- Clipping of the coat over the scan area is required (Generally a full abdominal shave)
- A 12 hour fast is required
- Sedation is usually required for full abdominal ultrasound. Pre-visit gabapentin (eg. 100mg for a cat) or trazodone could help to reduce the need for injectable sedation, and should be provided to your patient prior to referral if possible. Warn owners that sedation will likely be required for proper diagnostic images, and an IV catheter will be placed for this purpose.
- Abdominal ultrasound includes full investigation of abdominal organs including liver, spleen, kidneys, bladder, adrenals, pancreas, GIT, etc. with measurements. The results are sent to a board certified radiologist for interpretation to ensure the most detailed report possible is provided. The ultrasound report will be sent to the referring clinic within 48 hours (business hours).
- Targeted scans can be performed if not wanting a full scan, and these would include investigation of specific systems (eg. Bladder and kidneys, liver and gallbladder, etc)
- The veterinarian completing the scan will not be discussing the report or any preliminary findings with the client.
- Estimate for ultrasound services (taxes not included)
  - Abdominal Ultrasound \$470.00 + tax
  - Targeted Ultrasound \$220.00 + tax
  - Specialist Report fee \$200.00 + tax
  - Sedation \$196.00 + tax
  - Clotting Factors \$102.00 + tax
  - Fine needle Aspirate \$95.00 + tax
  - Abaxis Imagyst In-House Cytology Analysis \$180.00 + tax per site
  - IDEXX Cytology send off \$ 226.90+ tax per site