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Dog Neuter and Spay- Post Surgical Care

After returning home, wait at least 45 minutes before offering any food or water. Make this initial offering only 1/3 of the normal food and water intake. Resume normal feeding the following day.

The following morning, after returning home, your pet's appetite, bowel movements, urination, and activity level should be approaching normal. If not, call the clinic.

Vomiting may occur one or two times the first night as part of anesthetic recovery.

Your dog's body temperature has a tendency to go subnormal following the anesthetic. Keep your pet warm and dry and away from cool drafts the first night. (This includes air conditioner drafts).

*Gums and tongue color should be pink to reddish pink. If this color turns pale pink to white, the clinic should be notified immediately. *The Animal Emergency Clinic is open all night and on weekends. Their phone number is 899-0955.**

Sutures – Undoubtedly, your pet will lick the incision to some extent. Discourage this behavior since serious harm may result. Check the sutures daily. As long as this incision remains closed, clean, and free of discharge, it is progressing normally. Dab the incision once daily with rubbing alcohol on a cotton ball.

Sutures should be removed in 7 days. Please schedule an appointment with the receptionist.

** No bathing or swimming until
3 days after sutures are removed **