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Cat Spay – Post Surgical Care

ON IMMEDIATE ARRIVAL HOME after discharge by the veterinary surgeon, DO NOT ALLOW YOUR PET TO EAT OR DRINK FOR AT LEAST A ½ HOUR (Animals are usually very excited upon arrival home and tend to gorge themselves, which may lead to vomiting). After ½ hour, you may offer your pet 1/3 of their normal meal and water intake. Resume normal food and water intake at next regular meal time. (Use your own judgment)

Within 24 hours after returning home, your pet's appetite, bowel movements, urination, and activity level should return to normal. If not, contact the clinic.

Keep your pet clean and dry as possible all week.

If possible keep indoors for one week.

Furnish clean bedding.

Gums and Tongue Color should be pink to reddish pink. If this color becomes pale pink to white, the clinic should be notified immediately. The Animal Emergency Clinic is open all night (Their 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 the incision remains closed, clean, and free from discharge, it is progressing normally.

Dab the incision once daily with rubbing alcohol on a cotton ball. This will help keep the incision clean and dry and may prevent the cat from licking on it to some extent.

Sutures should be removed in 7 days.

Please schedule an appointment with the receptionist.

No baths until 3 days after the sutures are removed.