



*HOCKING HILLS ANIMAL CLINIC*

*PATIENT:* \_\_\_\_\_



## PRE-ANESTHESIA AND PRE-SURGICAL INSTRUCTIONS

### FASTING INSTRUCTIONS

- Do not give any food after midnight the night before anesthesia
- Water should remain available at all times

### SURGERY/ANESTHESIA CHECK-IN

- Bring your pet to the clinic at 8:30am the morning of the procedure.
- Plan to stay at the clinic 15-20 minutes unless other arrangements were made.
- If you have not completed the necessary consent forms, you will need to do so at the time of check-in.

### GETTING AN UPDATE

- Exactly when your pet's procedure is performed will depend on several factors including completion of pre-operative testing, pre-operative medication administration, and the other scheduled surgical procedures.
- Procedures are done in the order dictated by medical necessity and appropriateness.
- Most (not all) anesthetic/surgical procedures are completed and the patients are in recovery by 3pm. You are welcome to call anytime, but we may not have information about recovery until the afternoon.

### WHEN WILL MY PET BE READY TO GO HOME?

- **NEUTERS AND SPAYS:** Cat neuters, dog neuters, and dog spays typically go home around 5pm the same day. Cat spays usually spend the night because they are more groggy.
- **CAT DECLAW:** Your cat will stay with us two nights and can go home on the third day. For example: if surgery is Monday morning, your cat will be ready to go home Wednesday during normal business hours.
- **TEETH CLEANING AND ORAL SURGERY:** In most cases, your pet will be ready to go home after 5pm on the same day as the procedure.
- **OTHER SURGICAL or ANESTHESIA PROCEDURES:** Depending on the procedure being performed, your pet may go home the same day or may need to stay one night or more.

**You will receive post-procedure home-care instructions at the time of patient release**