

Dental Discharge Instructions for: _____

Diet and water:

___ Feed the following special diet of _____

___ Offer small amounts of water this evening. You may feed your pet a small meal (1/2 what they would normally eat) later tonight.

Medications: _____

Care of surgical site:

___ If surgery was performed, check surgical site daily for redness, swelling, discharge or loss of sutures. If noted, please call.

___ Sutures will dissolve on own or are under the skin.

Activity:

___ Your pet has been anesthetized and may be groggy tonight.

___ Your pet may be tired, unsteady, eat/drink less than normal, cough, or have poor control over urination/defecation for the next 24 hours. Please call with any questions or concerns regarding pain and symptoms.

___ Restrict activity. Exercise should be limited to leash walking only for tonight. Avoid running, jumping, rough play with other animals in the household.

___ Restrict access to stairs for tonight. Help in and out of car - no jumping.

___ Keep indoors for the next ___ days.

___ Please keep Elizabethan Collar on at all times for the next ___ days.

Follow up appointment(s):

Additional comments:

You may notice a small amount of blood tinged drool and/or saliva for the next few days. This is normal.

Do not begin/resume tooth brushing or giving dental treats for the next ___ days.

Most healing occurs at home; therefore the care you provide is vital to your pet's recovery. Our staff will assist you in any way to ensure success.

Notify the South Amherst Veterinary Hospital at (413)253-8001 if any of the following occurs:

Your pet's condition worsens or your pet seems lethargic or any vomiting or bleeding occurs, you cannot give the prescribed medication, or if you have any questions or concerns.