Canine Ovariohysterectomy (Spay) Home Care Instructions

Start medications - Refer to instructions on prescription label.

Food and Water – Only small amounts of food and water should be offered tonight. Normal feeding may resume tomorrow.

Exercise – May resume normal activity in 14 days. Confine indoors. Take outside on leash only for elimination for 14 days. No running, jumping or access to stairs.

Sutures – Suture removal in 14 days. Please call first. Discourage your pet from licking or chewing at surgery site. Please check the incision line daily for any swelling, redness, or discharge. If it appears irritated or infected, notify us.

Monitor – Call the practice if any of the following occur. Phone number (906)-786-8020

Loss of appetite for more than two days

Pain

Sutures come out

Discharge from eyes, ears, or nose

Straining to urinate or defecate

Change in breathing

Refusal to drink water for more than one day

Depression

Excess drainage from incision

Difficulty getting up or down

Vomiting

Diarrhea

Swelling

Abnormal odors

Weakness

Chewing, licking, or scratching at sutures

After hours Contact – (906)-786-8020 Service will contact doctor on call