

## Carleton Veterinary Services & Lanark Veterinary Clinic

### Cat Neuter

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#### Mission Statement

Where heart and medicine come together for the benefit of pets, their people and our community.

### WHAT IS A NEUTER?

- Neutering is the removal of your male cat's testicles also known as castration. Once neutered your cat is considered sterile and is no longer capable of reproduction.

### WHY NEUTER MY CAT?

- Prevention of un-wanted breeding /pregnancy
- Stops scent marking or spraying
- Stops male cats from roaming in search of a female

### WHAT SHOULD I EXPECT THE DAY OF SURGERY?

Your pet should arrive in the clinic the day of surgery between 8:00-8:30 am. Your pet should be fasted meaning no food after midnight the night before. A small amount of water is acceptable.

When you arrive at the clinic you will be asked the following questions:

- Would you like to have pre-anesthetic blood screening run on your pet?
- Are you interested in IV fluids throughout the procedure?

Note: the pre-anesthetic blood work and IV fluids have additional costs

### BENEFITS OF PRE-ANESTHETIC BLOODWORK

- Detects hidden illness that may put your pet at risk during anesthesia/ surgery
- Help us to choose the anesthetic that is best for your pet
- Provides peace of mind

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## **BENEFITS OF IV FLUIDS**

- IV fluids make anesthesia safer
- Warmed fluids help to maintain body temperature as many patients suffer from hypothermia
- Helps keep blood pressure stable as many pets under anesthesia end up being slightly dehydrated with reduced blood pressure by the end of the procedure
- Reduces patient's recovery

## **AFTER SURGERY CARE**

- Your cat will be ready for pick up sometime after 4 pm the day of surgery
- The nurse will go over homework rules with you at time of pick up
- You will be required to keep your pet quiet for 7 days during recovery
- An e-collar will be provided to prevent your pet from licking surgical site for 7 days
- 3 days of post op pain medication will be dispensed
- Please keep your cat inside during the 7 days of recovery