

## **ADMISSION/ OVERNIGHT CARE/DISCHARGE INFORMATION**

Patients should arrive between 8:30am and 10:30am the morning of surgery. Mondays, between 8:15 and 9:30 is preferred. Should other arrangements need to be made, please talk with a receptionist.

We recommend that you withhold food from your pet after midnight the day prior to surgery. Access to water after midnight is okay.

We understand that you wish your pet to be as comfortable as possible while he or she is staying with us. Our staff provides quilts, blankets, and TLC for his/her comfort and well being. Due to the hospital's sanitization procedure it is not possible to assure return items such as toys or blankets and we request personal items for your pet not be left while he or she is here. **Please remember to take any leashes, collars or crates home with you.** You should bring any medications that your pet is taking and food if your pet is on a special diet.

Visitation on the day of surgery is discouraged so as to provide the best care possible, as well as for the comfort of your pet. Owner visits are permitted on a case by case basis with doctor approval. Telephone updates are available at any time of day.

### **Overnight Care**

We have a skilled staff member on duty throughout the night caring for your pet. Please feel free to call at any time during the night for updates.

If you call and the phone goes to voicemail, hospitalized patients are being actively cared for. Please call back a little later. **813-901-5100**

### **Discharge Information**

The doctors and staff make rounds between 8:30 – 9:30 am and an update will be available after that time. Debbi will call you after rounds to set up a discharge time. If you do not hear from us by 10 am, please feel free to call.

Discharge times are Mondays through Thursdays from 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm and Fridays from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

The office is closed over the weekend; however, technicians check voicemail messages periodically. Support staff is on call in case of any emergencies our recent surgical pets might have. Do not hesitate to call if you have any questions after your pet has been discharged. **813-901-5100**