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Post-Extraction Home Care Instructions:

Your pet has had one or more teeth extracted under anesthesia today. Just like a person who has their wisdom teeth taken out this can be a painful recovery unless properly managed.

- 1. Your pet has been anesthetized to day so they may still be groggy. Keep them away from stairs, and offer only half of their evening meal to begin with. If they finish that they may have the rest.
- 2. Please give the pain medications provided at the instructed dose. If your pet still seems painful you may use a cold compress over their mouth. We also urge you to call so we can adjust their pain mediations.
- 3. Please give ALL the antibiotics as prescribed. The mouth is not a clean place.
- 4. Please feed your pet soft food for the next week. This can constitute canned food or you can soak their dry food in water for 10 minutes before feeding.
- 5. No hard toys or chews, including balls, are allowed until after the recheck!
- 6. Please monitor your pet's appetite and energy level. If you pet refuses to eat or is lethargic please call immediately.
- 7. Please watch for the pet rubbing at their face, and contact us immediately for an Elizabethan collar if this should occur. It is essential that they do not disrupt their sutures.
- 8. Please make a recheck appointment in ten to fourteen days.
- 9. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to call.