

# SAFE SURGERY

## WHAT IS INCLUDED IN MY PET'S SURGERY AT PAWS?

### PRE-SURGICAL EXAM

ASSESSING HEALTH BEFORE SURGERY

Your veterinarian will do a **complete physical examination** on your pet the morning of their procedure.

This examination is vital to rule out any changes in the heart, lungs, etc. **before** your pet undergoes anesthesia.

AND

### NURSING CARE

TREATING YOUR PET LIKE FAMILY

Our surgery team strives to provide the **best patient care** possible. We treat our patients like our own pets.

From cuddling pets after they are dropped off in the morning, to comforting patients who are recovering from surgery, **our technicians are always giving a little extra TLC. We believe that makes all the difference.**

### DEDICATED ANESTHETIST

NONSTOP MONITORING OF YOUR PET

A trained surgery technician will be **dedicated to care for your pet** throughout the entire surgery.

During the procedure, **this technician's sole responsibility is to monitor your pet** while under anesthesia and to collaborate with the doctor to ensure the health and safety of your pet.

AND

### ANESTHETIC MONITORING

STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGY

PAWS is proud to offer **state-of-the-art anesthetic monitoring equipment**. This technology helps the surgeon and anesthesiologist determine health status and anesthetic depth while your pet is in surgery.

Thanks to this technology, we are able to monitor:

Blood Pressure      SPO2  
ECG                      Pulse (Doppler)  
EtCO2                    Temperature

### IV CATHETERIZATION

A DIRECT LINE TO YOUR PET

When your pet is being prepared for surgery, an **IV Catheter** will be placed.

This is an essential step, not only to allow IV Fluid Therapy, but it **allows immediate access to the circulatory system**, if additional medications are needed.

AND

### FLUID THERAPY

REGULATING YOUR PET'S VITALS

Your pet will be on IV Fluid Therapy for the entirety of the surgical procedure and throughout the recovery process.

**IV FLUID THERAPY BENEFITS:**  
REGULATES BLOOD PRESSURE  
STABILIZES TISSUE AND ORGAN BLOOD FLOW  
FLUSHES ANESTHESIA FROM THE BODY

### AFTER SURGERY CARE

YOUR PET WILL NOT RECOVER ALONE

A dedicated technician will recover your pet after waking from anesthesia.

Your pet will recover in one of our thermal recovery cages with their technician monitoring vital signs and **keeping them comfortable.**

AND

### POST-SURGERY UPDATES

KEEPING YOU IN THE LOOP

We know that surgery isn't just stressful for your pet, it can be stressful for you, too!

**BUT WITH US, YOU CAN RELAX.**

From a phone call after surgery, to sending a photo text message to you while your pet is recovering, **we will keep you updated** on how your pet is doing.

### À LA CARTE GROOMING

SAVING YOU MONEY AND TIME

Let's be honest here. Fluffy doesn't really enjoy having her nails trimmed at home, does she?

**PROBLEM SOLVED.**

While your pet is under anesthesia, let us take care of those treatments that you don't want to do, anyways. It's less stress for you and your pet.

**EARS? CLEANED.  
NAILS? TRIMMED.\*  
ANAL GLANDS? EXPRESSED.**

Not interested? No problem. Just let us know the morning of the procedure.

\*For dogs, nail dremel is available upon request.

AND

### LASER THERAPY\*

DECREASING INFLAMMATION AND PAIN

There are many benefits to low-level laser therapy after surgery.

**BENEFITS OF LASER THERAPY:**  
DECREASES PAIN  
REDUCES INFLAMMATION  
PROMOTES BLOOD FLOW TO AREA TREATED  
SPEEDS UP HEALING

Questions about laser therapy? We would love to answer them! Please speak with your pet's technician or veterinarian for more info.

\*With certain medical conditions, laser therapy is not recommended. Performing this service will be at the discretion of your veterinarian.

### AFTERCARE INSTRUCTIONS

ANSWERING ALL YOUR QUESTIONS

When you pick up your pet after surgery, **the surgery technician and doctor will meet with you** to review aftercare instructions.

**NO NEED TO TAKE NOTES, WE DO ALL THE WRITING FOR YOU.**

You will go home with a printed copy of the instructions that are **customized for your pet.**

AND

### POST-SURGERY RECHECK

CONTINUING CARE WHILE YOUR PET HEALS

A technician will evaluate your pet during the healing process, answer any questions, and remove sutures at this visit, **at no charge to you.**

This technician appointment will be scheduled at time of discharge from surgery.

