



Bladder Surgery Aftercare Information Sheet

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Patient: {PATIENT FULL NAME}

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Presenting Complaint: Urinary stones

Diagnostics: Abdominal radiographs revealed multiple stones within the urinary bladder. Preoperative bloodwork was unremarkable.

Diagnosis: Urolithiasis

Surgery: {NAME} had a cystotomy performed to remove the stones from their bladder. A culture and stones for analysis were also obtained. {NAME} did well under anesthesia and recovered without incident.

Exercise: Limit activity for the next 2 weeks. Short leash walks are permitted on a leash. No jumping, running, or rough-housing. Do not leave {NAME} off the leash unattended.

Medications:

1. Rimadyl (__ mg): Give 1 tablet by mouth every 12 hours with food. Please watch for signs of gastrointestinal upset: loss of appetite, vomiting, diarrhea, and black stools. If these signs occur your pet could be sensitive to these medications and they should be discontinued and a veterinarian contacted. This medication was given in hospital at _____.

2. Gabapentin (__ mg): Give 1 capsule by mouth every 8-12 hours for pain relief. This medication may cause sedation. This medication was given in hospital at _____.

Diet: Normal.

Incision: Please check the incision for signs of infection: redness, swelling, pain or discharge. Do not allow {NAME} to lick at the incision. An E collar or t-shirt should be used to keep {NAME} from licking at the incision.

Suture Removal: Please have the sutures removed by Dr. {RDVM} 10-14 days from the day of surgery. Please make an appointment with Dr. {RDVM} in that time frame.

Biopsy Results: A culture of the bladder has been submitted to the lab for analysis. These results should be available in 5-7 business days. Also, the stones were submitted for analysis. These results may take up to 1 month to return. Dr. {RDVM} will call you with these results once they are available. These results may lead to further recommendations for {NAME}'s care.

Recommendations: Closely monitor {NAME} at home. {NAME} may have some blood in the urine for a few days. This is normal after surgery. Make sure that {NAME} is urinating while at home. If you notice that {NAME} stops urinating, or becomes lethargic and inappetent, please have {NAME} rechecked.

Clinician: Joshua Bruce, DVM, DACVS-SA

Thank you for allowing us to care for {NAME}!