

Grayling Hospital
for Animals
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Pet Care Following Surgical & Dental Procedures

Please protect your pet when leaving the hospital by using a leash or carrier. Excessive activity may result in injury. Do not allow your pet to become overly excited when you pick him/her up from the hospital stay.

We recommend restricting feeding and watering of your pet for the first few hours at home. A smaller portion of food and water may be given later that evening. Resume normal feeding the following day. Many patients may not have a bowel movement for 24-36 hours following surgery. This is normal.

Patients recovering from surgery or illness should have limited exercise. With surgical patients, avoid access to stairs or situations that may lead to injury, on the same day as the procedure. Your pet may be groggy due to anesthetic.

Keep your pet from getting cold, wet, or overheated the first night. No bathing or swimming for the next 7 days if the surgical procedure required an incision.

Discourage your pet from licking or chewing at the incision area or sutures. Please check the incision area daily for swelling, redness, or discharge. If the incision area appears irritated or infected please notify us immediately.

A decrease in activity for 1-2 days may be observed. If your pet exhibits any of the following symptoms please notify the hospital.

1. Loss of appetite for more than 2 days.
2. Weakness
3. Refusal to drink water for more than 1 day
4. Depression
5. Vomiting
6. Diarrhea

We will be happy to recheck your pet for any problems that arise post-operatively, however additional costs may be incurred for your pet's recheck appointment if due to failure to follow post-operative care.

Thank You

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