

Your pet is scheduled for a procedure that requires anesthesia. We would like to take this opportunity to recommend pre-anesthetic testing and explain why it is important to the health of your pet. Like you, our greatest concern is the well-being of your pet. Before placing your pet under anesthesia, a veterinarian will perform a complete physical examination to identify any existing medical conditions that could complicate the procedure and compromise the health of your pet.

Because there is always the possibility a physical exam alone will not identify all of your pet's health problems, we strongly recommend that a pre-anesthetic profile (a combination of tests) be performed prior to anesthesia. The tests we recommend are similar to and equally as important as those your own physician would run if you were to undergo anesthesia. Pre-anesthetic testing helps us understand whether your pet's vital organs are functioning properly, which can help us create an individualized anesthetic plan for your pet and avoid potential complications during surgery.

It is important to understand that a pre-anesthetic profile does not guarantee the absence of anesthetic complications. It may, however, greatly reduce the risk of complications as well as identify medical conditions that could require medical treatment in the future.

The combination of blood tests we recommend for the apparently healthy puppy/kitten is listed below.

- CBC --- (anemia, inflammation, stress, leukemia, infection, clotting)
- Serum Chemistry (10 panels) ---(kidneys, liver diabetes/sugar, hydration)
- Electrolytes ---(dehydration or suffering from electrolyte imbalance)

The combination of blood tests we recommend for the apparently healthy young adult pet is listed below.

- CBC --- (anemia, inflammation, stress, leukemia, infection, clotting)
- Serum Chemistry (17 panels) ---(kidneys, liver diabetes/sugar, hydration, protein, pancreas)
- Electrolytes ---(dehydration or suffering from electrolyte imbalance)

The combination of blood tests we recommend for the apparently healthy senior pet is listed below.

- CBC --- (anemia, inflammation, stress, leukemia, infection, clotting)
- Serum Chemistry (17 panels) ---(kidneys, liver diabetes/sugar, hydration, protein, pancreas)
- Electrolytes ---(dehydration or suffering from electrolyte imbalance)
- Urinalysis ---(kidney, diabetes)
- Thyroid hormone ---(overactive or underactive)

❖ Please complete the recommended testing prior to administering anesthesia to my pet.

Signature of Owner _____

❖ I decline the recommended pre-anesthetic tests at this time and request you proceed with anesthesia. I understand that a medical condition may exist which would be impossible to identify during a physical exam alone. I understand that my pet's health could be at risk if such a condition goes undetected when my pet is placed under anesthesia.

Signature of Owner _____