

# Spay Dismissal

Congratulations for getting your cat spayed! A few things you need to watch for over the next few days:

- Watch the incision area for any signs of discharge, redness, or swelling.
  - If you are concerned about how the incision site looks, please contact us asap. We would be happy to take a look to make sure there are no post-operative complications.
- The sutures used for your cat's surgery are absorbable. They do not need to be removed, and will dissolve/fall out over the next 2-8 weeks.
- Please keep your cat's activity level to a minimum for the next 3 days.
  - Easier said than done, but please avoid excessive or rough play, and if your cat is indoor/outdoor, please try to keep her indoor for the next 3 days.
- Your cat may eat normally starting the day after surgery.
- Pain meds will have been sent home with your cat. Please give these until they are gone, cats do not tend to show signs of pain, but that does not mean they don't feel it.
  - If you were dispensed Metacam, this is a pain medication similar in function to ibuprofen, but whose effects last up to 48 hours. If your cat is not cooperative for taking this medication, it can be mixed in food or a moist treat.
  - If you were dispensed Buprenex, this is a narcotic similar to morphine. This must be applied to the gums or under the tongue, this drug is not effective if swallowed. The effects of this drug only last 8-10 hours, so it must be given twice daily.
- If your cat at any time does not act like she feels good, if she is lethargic, not eating, or vomiting after surgery, or if you have any other questions or concerns, please contact us at All Feline Hospital at 402-467-2711 or [info@allfelinehospital.com](mailto:info@allfelinehospital.com).