

ABEGWEIT ANIMAL HOSPITAL  
DENTISTRY/ANESTHETIC INFORMATION

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To: \_\_\_\_\_

This letter is to confirm that \_\_\_\_\_ is scheduled for an anesthetic/dental procedure on \_\_\_\_\_ .

We would like to remind you to remove food after 8 pm the night before and to remove water first thing on the morning of admission. Admission time is between 8:00-8:30 am. A discharge time will be arranged for later in the day.

A general anesthetic will be given to allow us to perform a detailed examination of your pet's teeth and gums. This involves probing around the teeth and taking dental x-rays (same things are done during our dental visits) to detect any problems below the gums. Sometimes, otherwise normal looking teeth may be found to have varying degrees of periodontal disease or other problems that may require treatment at that time (rather than having to go through a separate anesthesia at a later date). If there are any problems detected other than what was initially discussed with you, especially if it requires extensive work, we will call you to discuss it with you immediately. It is very important to have a contact number where you can be reached during the morning (work, cell, home, etc).

Contact number (s) 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Depending on the age and general health of your pet, preanesthetic blood tests may be performed to detect any underlying health problems (especially liver and kidney function) which may cause anesthetic concerns. You will be notified of any problems before the anesthetic/dental procedure is started. Normally we will perform these tests automatically on older pets (10 years and older) or if any health concern is evident from a physical exam in younger pets.

If you prefer to have these tests performed regardless of age, please sign here:

\_\_\_\_\_ .

During the anesthetic, monitors that measure heart rate, blood pressure, and oxygen levels will be used. A technician monitors the patient and records the information. Intravenous fluids are given during the procedure and pain medication is given as required.

Feel free to contact the clinic with any questions.

**PLEASE BRING THIS LETTER WITH YOU ON THE MORNING OF ADMISSION.**