

## Pre-Surgical Instructions

- Take away food and water the evening before surgery, NLT midnight
- Cats must arrive in a carrier, multiple cats must be in separate carriers (transport boxes may be purchased at our clinic \$5) - dogs must be leashed or small dogs may be brought in a carrier
- Make sure dogs are walked prior to arriving at our clinic, ensure that they go to the bathroom prior to arrival, once tranquilized they will have little to no ability to control their bowel movements - prevent a mess for your animal by walking them ahead of time
- You may print the client submission form from our website and complete the form for each animal having surgery so that you do not have to complete it at the time of drop off
- Drop off between **7:30** and **9:00** am, our clinic opens at 7:30, surgeries typically do not begin until 9:00 am, the surgeon will determine the surgical order based on species, sex, size and overall health condition, the order in which you arrive does not have any influence on the surgery order
- If your animal is easily stressed or has anxiety issues or does not do well in a cage, consider coming closer to 9am and plan to pick up early, it is not in the best interest to keep your pet in a cage any longer than necessary, dropping off at 7:30 will only increase unnecessary stress to your pet
- Make sure that if you are using a GPS to navigate your way to our clinic that you enter the correct city - North Aurora, **NOT** Aurora (Aurora will take you about 25 miles out of your way)
- Park in our parking lot in front of the building - do not park in the medical office parking lot located to the left (west) of our building, you will be towed at a cost of over \$300 and no services will be provided as long as your car is in the their parking lot
- You may add other services at the time of drop off, including vaccinations, heartworm or combo test, microchips & preventatives