



Lone Star Veterinary Surgical Services

Surgical Solutions for Your Loved Pets

Surgical Release Form for Scrotal Urethrostomy

Owner: _____ Patient: _____ Date: _____

Referring Hospital: _____ Veterinarian: _____

Surgery to be performed: _____

I authorize Lone Star Veterinary Surgical Services (LSVSS) to perform surgery on my pet. I have discussed the aforementioned surgery and the importance of pre-surgical blood testing with the referring veterinarian. I understand that there are risks and hazards involved with the recommended surgical procedure, including anesthetic risk. I realized that no guaranty or warranty can ethically or professionally be made regarding the results or cure.

Your pet has been diagnosed with either urethral stones that we were unable to removal via the bladder or your dog has a tumor of the penis and/or prepuce that requires penile amputation. The Doctor has recommended a surgery to form a new permanent opening to the urethra, called a scrotal urethrostomy. This surgery will allow urine to exit behind the os penis where the urethra is wider.

Aftercare and Outcome:

Most dogs are kept sedated for several days after the surgery to reduce the chance of bleeding. The Elizabethan collar is left on for 10-14 days until the site is healed. If a bladder infection is present, antibiotics will be prescribed. Calculi are sent for analysis to determine whether special diets or medications are needed.

The tissue around the urethra has an excellent blood supply, and dogs may have bleeding after the surgery. Also, excitement or trauma to the area from licking can increase the risk of bleeding, so dogs wear Elizabethan collars and may require sedation. Because the surgery site is in the area of the scrotum, dogs are castrated during the procedure, which will also help reduce excitement after surgery. If the opening is made in the wrong area, or the hole scars down and narrows, urine can spray the inside or back of the legs.

Urethral obstruction by calculi is prevented by reducing factors that cause stone formation. If your dog is a stone former, you will need to follow your veterinarian's diet and medication recommendations closely, and have your dog rechecked as needed to make sure crystal formation is being controlled. Prognosis is excellent for dogs that undergo scrotal urethrostomy for urethral blockage, as long as the dog has not suffered serious kidney or toxic damage from prolonged obstruction.

Procedure: Scrotal Urethrostomy and neuter if your dog is intact

Surgical Risks:

1. Bleeding from the surgical site can continue for up to 14 days. In rare instances, blood transfusions are needed at additional costs. Keeping your dog sedate will reduce incidence of bleeding but it is expected to have some bleeding when your dog urinates for up to 14 days
2. Reoccurrence of bladder stones is possible, especially if diet recommendations are not followed
3. Stricture or dehiscence if your dog is allowed to lick or chew at the surgical site
4. Infection (rare) can occur in about 3% of cases.

Date

Pet Owner/Agent Signature

Phone I Can Be Reached at Today