
Anesthesia and Surgery Discharge Instructions

Hospital Name: Oak Meadow Veterinary Hospital

Hospital Address: 641 University Ave, Los Gatos, CA 95032

Hospital Phone Number: 408-354-0838

Emergency Hospital: MedVet Campbell

ER Hospital Phone Number: 408-371-6252

Patient Information

Patient Name: Moxie

Species/Breed: Domestic Short Hair

Age: 8 years

Weight: 7 kg

What to Expect After Surgery

Moxie underwent anesthesia and gastrointestinal surgery today. She may be **groggy, disoriented, or slightly restless** for the next **1–2 hours** as the anesthesia wears off. Some mild coughing may occur due to the breathing tube used during anesthesia—this should resolve within a day.

At-Home Care

Food and Water

- Do **not** offer food for the first **2 hours** after arriving home.
 - Provide **fresh water freely**.
 - Moxie may have a **reduced appetite for 1–2 days**—this is normal.
 - If she refuses to eat for more than **12 hours**, contact us.
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Medications

Please follow these medication instructions carefully:

1. Antibiotic: Clavamox (62.5 mg)

- Give **1 tablet by mouth every 12 hours for 5 days**.
- Possible side effects: **loss of appetite, vomiting, or diarrhea**.

2. **Pain Medication: Meloxicam (0.5 mg/ml liquid suspension)**

- Give 0.5 ml by mouth once a day for 4 days.
- This medication helps reduce **pain and inflammation**.

3. **Probiotics** (as needed).

Incision and Monitoring

- Check Moxie's **incision daily** for **redness, swelling, or discharge**.
 - If she seems **uncomfortable, has difficulty breathing, or refuses food for more than 12 hours**, contact us immediately.
 - **No bandage was placed**, so prevent Moxie from **licking or scratching the area** (a cone may be needed).
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Activity Restrictions

- **Limit activity for at least 7 days.**
 - **No jumping, running, or rough play.**
 - Keep her **indoors in a quiet, comfortable area.**
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Follow-Up Care

- **Suture removal is needed in 7 days.** Please schedule a recheck appointment with us.
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When to Call Us

🚨 **Call us at (408) 354-0838 if you notice any of the following:**

- ✗ **Refusing food for more than 12 hours**
- ✗ **Vomiting or diarrhea** lasting more than **24 hours**
- ✗ **Difficulty breathing**
- ✗ **Severe swelling, redness, or discharge** at the incision site
- ✗ **Lethargy or extreme discomfort**

If an **emergency occurs after hours**, contact **MedVet Campbell** at **(408) 371-6252**.

Thank you for trusting **Oak Meadow Veterinary Hospital** with Moxie's care! Please don't hesitate to reach out with any concerns.

😊 Wishing Moxie a smooth and speedy recovery!
