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Castration/Neuter (Orchiectomy)

Client Handout

General Information:

Castration is the surgical removal of the testicles. Such surgery is performed to eliminate sexual activities and render the cat sterile. Castration usually (but not always) reduces a cat's tendency to spray and fight. The general level of aggression may also be reduced. However aggression and inappropriate elimination are not always secondary to the testosterone in the system.

Home Care:

****After arriving home, allow Blue to calm down for about 30 minutes.****

- 1) Offer a small amount of water and food at first and SLOWLY. We do not want any vomiting because he ate too much too quickly!
- 2) Feed small amounts of his regular food throughout the evening. Do not feed him anything he is not accustomed to eating.
- 3) Blue may not eat tonight. It is common for an animal not to eat the day of surgery.

Begin Normal Feeding Tomorrow

Exercise:

- 1) Restrict your cat's activities for seven days after surgery.
- 2) Do not make him go up and down steps for the next couple of days.
****Move his food and water and litter box if necessary****

Incision:

- 1) Check the incision site at least once daily. Report any abnormalities to the doctor.
- 2) No baths for 10-14 days.

Notify us if any of the following occur:

- 1) Your cat chews or damages the incision.
- 2) Your cat seems depressed or refuses to eat.
- 3) The incision is red or swollen or has any discharge.

Thank you for trusting us with the care of your cat!
Kenneth S. Fisher, DVM & The staff of East End Veterinary Medical Centre