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Home Care Notes for \_\_\_\_\_

Today I was in hospital for a ☐ Sedation ☐ Xray ☐ Ultrasound \_\_\_\_\_

To ensure that I have a smooth and speedy recovery, please take note of the following guidelines:

#### Rest and Confinement

- it is normal for me to be subdued, sleepy, anti-social and not quite myself for up to 24 hours following a sedation
- drowsiness will make me more vulnerable, wobbly and anxious, so confinement is for safety reasons
- keep me indoors overnight, preferably caged, to limit activity and access to hazards and interference from pets or kids
- I will need a soft, clean bed at floor level, in a warm, draught-free, dark and quiet room with the windows and doors closed

#### Things to Note

- I may also have a small area of clipped fur where blood was drawn, medications were given intravenously or an ultrasound was performed

#### Eating, Drinking and Toileting

- ensure that clean, fresh water is within easy reach at all times
- tonight, if I am alert, give me a small quantity of soft food - I may refuse food or vomit after eating as result of the drugs
- toileting should be done in a confined space, a litter tray on the floor for cats and outside, supervised, on a lead for dogs
- changes to toileting frequency and consistency can be expected for 24 hours

#### Activity

- should be limited to no exercise on the day of sedation and gentle lead walks only on the day after the procedure

#### Medication

- please read labels carefully to ensure meds are given as instructed regarding dosage, frequency and with or without food
- if given with food, ensure that the meds are ingested completely, not eaten by other pets and not expelled with vomit

### **IT'S IMPORTANT TO CONTACT THE CLINIC FOR ADVICE OR AN APPOINTMENT IF:**

Your pet is uncharacteristically lethargic, grumpy, agitated, anti-social or in obvious pain

Your pet has excessive vomiting or diarrhoea or is still refusing food and/or water after 12 hours

You have difficulty administering medication

You have any other concerns or questions

*Thank you for trusting us with the privilege of caring for your pet.*