

# DENTAL CLEANING AND PERIODONTAL TREATMENT CONSENT FORM

Client's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Pet's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Procedure(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

## Some common concerns:

- One or more infected teeth may be detected during a procedure, radiographs, and dental treatment. Dental extractions will routinely be performed, if indicated. Once the bone supporting the tooth is damaged and lost, the damage is permanent. Periodontal treatment does not guarantee good oral health of the patient that suffers from chronic disease and requires constant medical management.
- It is not unusual for the gums to bleed for a short period of time after a dental treatment. Please call the hospital office if this medical condition persists and concerns you.
- Moderate to severe gum (gingival) disease and tooth extractions may require you to alter your pet's normal diet for a short time period or permanently.

## Owner responsibility:

- I understand that home care administered by myself or a designated caretaker may be required to achieve the best overall success. It is my responsibility to notify A-Plus Animal Hospital before altering the doctor's recommendations. I understand that changes, supplementation, or alteration of any prescriptions may possibly result in an unfavorable or detrimental side effect with medical complications.
- Home care instructions will be provided at the time of the pet's discharge. **(Please initial)** \_\_\_\_\_

## Hospital and Procedural Information:

- Anesthesia: Pre-surgical blood tests and physical examination will enable us to assess and minimize the risk of anesthesia to your pet.
- Monitoring: To minimize anesthetic risk, we monitor the heart, respiration rates, and oxygenation.
- Catheterization: For sterility, hair will be shaved over a vein on the leg so that an intravenous catheter (I.V.) can be placed. Blood pressure may lower during anesthetic procedures and fluid therapy aids in supporting your pet's internal organ systems. It also allows immediate access to the vascular system in case of an emergency.
- Pain Management is included in the dental cleaning procedure. The doctors will administer pain medications accordingly to your pet's individual needs.
- Antibiotics are an additional fee ranging from \$15.00 to \$35.00 and may be prescribed by the doctor for your pet's oral hygiene needs. **(Please initial)** \_\_\_\_\_

## Patient Information:

Yes No

( ) ( ) Did your pet eat this morning?

( ) ( ) Has your pet had any vomiting, diarrhea or coughing within 20 days?

( ) ( ) Has your pet ever had seizures?

( ) ( ) Should your pet go into cardiac arrest, do you wish CPR to be administered?

( ) ( ) Is your pet allergic to any medications, anesthetics or vaccines?

If so, please List: \_\_\_\_\_

( ) ( ) Is your pet presently on medication(s) including aspirin?

If so, please List: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Pre-Anesthesia Blood Screening:**

Before your pet is anesthetized, the doctors will perform pre-anesthetic screening to help identify potential underlying health issues that may influence the anesthetic protocol. Blood screening also establishes a baseline of values in case future medical conditions should arise. The blood screening will be based on the categories below for your pet's age group or on your pet's health status following the doctor's examination.

**Profile 1**    Healthy pets younger than 2 years:  
Complete blood count (assess anemia, infection, clotting), ALB (protein), ALKP (liver), ALT (liver and muscle), Bun (kidney), CREA (kidney), Glucose (blood sugar), TP (hydration), Na (sodium-electrolyte), K(potassium-electrolyte), and Cl (chloride-electrolyte).

**Profile 2**    Healthy pets 2 to 7 years old:  
Includes all test in Chem 10, plus; Calcium (organ function), Cholesterol (organ function), GGT (liver), PHOS (organ function), and TBIL (organ function).

**Profile 3**    Healthy pets 7 years or older or those with questionable health status:  
Includes all test in Chem 10 and Chem 15, plus; AMYL (pancreas and kidney) and LIPA (pancreas).

## **Dental Radiographs:**

The doctors highly recommend radiographs in order to better evaluate your pet's oral health. Much of the teeth lie below the gum line and radiographs aid the doctors in determining the health and structure of the teeth. In a majority of cases, radiographs can confirm the necessity for extraction of a tooth that may be loose, damaged, or severely diseased.

The costs of dental radiographs are \$79.00

\_\_\_\_\_ I authorize radiographs to be performed at the additional fees listed above.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am declining radiographs at this time.

## **Extractions:**

It is impossible to predict how many teeth may need extraction when an animal is awake because tartar and movement interfere with the assessment. Severely diseased teeth can cause considerable pain and discomfort and are a source of infections for other organ systems (liver, kidney, lungs, and heart). During the dental cleaning, the teeth are evaluated, and if found to be too severely diseased or damaged to treat medically, they may require an extraction or referral to a dental specialist for repair.

The cost of extractions varies depending on the difficulty and can range from \$49.00 - \$139.00 / tooth.

\_\_\_\_\_ I authorize all medically necessary extractions be performed.

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\_\_\_\_\_ I prefer to be called at phone number \_\_\_\_\_ before any extractions are performed.  
If I cannot be reached, I authorize you to proceed with all necessary dental procedures.

\_\_\_\_\_ If, I cannot be contacted by phone, I do not authorize any extractions to be performed.

*\* Please be aware that if you decline any needed procedures at this time, your pet would need a second anesthesia at another time in order for those procedures to be performed.*

\_\_\_\_\_ I would prefer to seek out a dental specialist for further treatment such as root canals, fillings, and orthodontics.

