# Medical and Behavioral Benefits of Neutering

Neutering (complete removal of testicles in a male dog) is the most reliable cure for numerous health and behavioral problems most common in our canine population as well as a powerful preventative for unwanted puppies.

Neutering eliminates the risk of testicular cancer, if done before six months of age. In addition to the medical benefits, neutering also eliminates or reduces your pet from straying from home. An intact male has an overwhelming urge to reproduce, he will often become nervous and irritable, perhaps picking fights with other dogs, or become lethargic, less responsive to owner, stop eating, or act ill or depressed. Among the problems reduced or eliminated by neutering male pets are:

- \* Territoriality and aggression, including urinating to mark territory, and fighting to defend it.
- \* Wandering, escaping, and automobile injuries.
- \* "Riding" inappropriate objects
- \* Prostate enlargement (occurs in at least 60% of unneutered male dogs 5 years or older).
- \* Prostate tumors and infections.
- \* Tumors of the testicles, penis, anal area
- \* Perineal hernia (rupture of the posterior abdominal wall)



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## **Hours**

Doctor hours by appointment

## Monday

8:30AM - 12 PM

2 PM - 6:30 PM

Tuesday - Friday

8:30 AM - 12 PM

2 PM - 5:30 PM

Closed from 12PM – 2 PM for surgeries

# New clients always welcome

Emergency calls are welcome.

After hour instructions will be available on the answering machine

Payment due at the time of discharge.
We accept cash, check, Visa or Mastercard &

Care Credit

For more information visit www.LadyvetAnimalHospital.com

# **Canine Neuter**



Your pet's "Health and Happiness" is our priority



"Riley"

Surgery appointments available Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

Admit 7:15 - 7:45 AM

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#### Our fee includes:

- 1. A pre-surgical exam
- 2. Patient and room preparation
- 3. Sterile surgical pack, drape and suture
- 4. Laser surgery
- 5. General anesthesia
- 6. Surgery time
- 7. Pain medication. Fee is based on weight of pet.
- 8. Anesthesia monitoring by veterinarian assistant during and following surgery & during recovery.
- 9. EKG, O<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub> & BP monitoring
- 10. Intubation with endotracheal tube
- 11. Frequent monitoring to assess pain and patient status
- 12. Hotdog warming blanket during surgery
- 13. Complimentary nail trim
- 14. Lots of tender loving care

### What's extra....

We offer a variety of extra services at the time of surgery. These are optional and offered at an additional cost to the neuter.

- 1. Home Again Microchipping, a safe and proven permanent identification
- 2. Pre-surgical blood work (required if pet is 7 years of age or older)
- 3. Heartworm & Tick screening

## **Facts**

- 1. Altered animals live longer, healthier lives.
- 2. Neutered males are less likely to roam, run away, get hit by cars, or get into fights.
- 3. 80% of all bites are from intact male dogs!
- 4. An unneutered male can detect a female in heat miles away.
- 5. Neutering decreases roaming by 90%.
- \* Please call ahead for an appointment.
- \* Dogs must be 4 months of age for surgery.
- \* Please withhold food and water from your dog if under 20 lbs after 6 pm the night BEFORE surgery. If your dog is over 20 lbs withhold food at noon and water at 6 PM the night BEFORE surgery.
- \* You may call anytime after 3 pm to check on your pet.
- \* Current Rabies vaccination is **required** for all surgery pets (can be given the day of surgery).

## **Recommended Services**

**Pre-anesthetic Blood Work** is recommended to ensure the internal organs are functioning properly to metabolize the anesthesia, and to check for infection & anemia. Required if pet is 7 years of age or older.

Heartworm & Tick Screening A quick and easy test that requires a blood sample. Heartworm larvae is transmitted by mosquitoes from infected dogs to healthy dogs. The heartworms live in the heart and lungs. If left untreated, heartworm disease may be fatal to your dog, and can be easily prevented. Lymes, Anaplasma & Ehrlichia are spread by tick bites.

Pain Medication We believe controlling our patients' pain is important. Pain medication is administered before your pet's medical procedure to reduce pain and discomfort and to promote recovery, and can be sent home.

Current Physical Exam (required) The health of your pet is very important, especially when they are being anesthetized. Your pet will be checked from the tip of their nose to the tip of their tail. This includes: oral exam, ears, hernias, heart, parasites & verifying sex of your pet.

**Vidscope Exam (required)** The visualization of the ear canals, using a tiny camera to aid in the detection of problems.

Laser Surgery (required) Uses a "no touch" delivery system that cuts and cauterizes with a beam of light. This greatly reduces post surgical pain, inflammation, swelling, and bleeding during surgery which leads to a more comfortable recovery and fewer side effects.