IS YOUR PUP ABOUT TO HAVE SURGERY?
HERE IS WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW.

WHAT TYPE OF SURGERY?
Dogs can undergo many different types of surgery in their lifetime. Surgeries range from simple spays/neuters to advanced surgeries such as hip replacements or herniated disk surgeries. You should know what your pup’s surgery entails.

HOW TO PREPARE YOUR DOG
Different surgeries require different preparation. In most cases, your dog should not eat supper the night before surgery and should not have breakfast or water the day of surgery to help prevent nausea caused by the anesthesia and drugs used.

WILL YOU LEAVE YOUR PET OVERNIGHT?
More complicated surgeries may require your pet to spend the night at the clinic. In this case, you should find out what kind of monitoring the clinic will have on your pet. You should know if staff will be at the clinic or if they will be connected to monitoring technology during their stay.

TAKING YOUR PUP HOME
When you finally get to bring your pup home, make sure they will have a place to rest quietly; this will help with a speedier recovery. Also, be sure to take notes on what medications are provided by your veterinarian, how many, and when to give them to your pet.

FOOD AND WATER
Your pup may not eat and drink as much while they are recovering from their surgery. This is normal, but no eating or drinking for more than one day should result in you calling your veterinarian as you do not want your pet to become dehydrated.

RECOVERY TIME
The more your pet can rest on its own, the better. Find out from your veterinarian the expected time your pet should be able to play normally again. If your pet has stitches, be sure to keep an eye on all incisions throughout the recovery process and call your veterinarian if you have questions.

SURGERY IS A CRITICAL TIME IN YOUR PUP’S LIFE, IT’S GOOD TO KNOW HOW TO BE PREPARED AND HOW YOUR PET WILL BE MONITORED.