

## TUCSON SMALL ANIMAL HOSPITAL, LTD.

### PRE-ANESTHETIC BLOOD TESTING INFORMATION FORM

Our greatest concern is the well-being of your pet. Before putting your pet under anesthesia, we routinely perform a full physical examination. We also highly recommend, and often require, a Pre-Anesthetic Blood Profile be performed on pets undergoing anesthesia to maximize patient safety.

The Pre-Anesthetic Blood Profile helps alert our surgeon to the presence of dehydration, anemia, infection, diabetes, kidney or liver disease that could complicate the procedure. These conditions may not be detected without a pre-anesthetic profile thus not allowing the most appropriate and safest anesthetic regime to be administered. These tests are similar to those your own physician would run if you were to undergo anesthesia. In addition, these tests may be useful if your pet's health changes to develop faster, more accurate diagnoses and treatments.

Your pet's doctor will decide which Pre-Surgical Blood Testing panel we should run, depending on your pet's age and physical status. The blood sample can often be drawn at the pre-surgical examination appointment. In some young pets, this panel may be optional.

We realize surgery and anesthesia can be scary for both the owner and patient, and we try to make the day of surgery as safe and comfortable as we can for everyone. The physical examination and blood work done prior to any surgical procedure allows us to best minimize anesthetic and surgical risks and maximize patient safety.

If you have any questions about your pet's surgical procedure, please do not hesitate to call us to discuss your questions with a member of our team.

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