

## Soft Tissue Surgery

If your primary care veterinarian has referred your pet to us for surgery, you can rest assured that we have individualized surgical solutions with an approachable and highly skilled surgical team. We believe every pet should have the opportunity to have a full, happy, and functional life. Our surgeons have decades of collective experience.

### **Common reasons for a surgical referral:**

- Tumor removal
- Abdominal surgeries
- Wound repair
- Gastrointestinal surgeries
- Endocrine surgeries
- Laparoscopy
- Arthroscopy
- Reconstructive surgery

### **What to Expect at Quartet:**

If you are a pet owner who needs to prepare their beloved pet for surgery, knowing what to expect is important. Your surgeon will explain the entire procedure to you in detail, including potential risks and benefits. Prior to surgery, your pet may undergo additional diagnostic testing determined by the surgeon. This evaluation helps assess your pet's overall health and identify any underlying conditions that may impact the procedure.

During the surgery, our surgeons use advanced techniques to address the targeted issue, while minimizing trauma to surrounding tissues.

**Risks of General Anesthesia:** We listen closely to your pet's medical history and carefully review any provided medical records. Your pet will have a detailed physical exam, appropriate pre-operative blood screening tests, and possibly radiographs to identify and control anesthetic risk factors. Even with these measures, anesthesia remains a small, but present risk. For this reason, we use the safest intravenous and inhalational anesthetics. Our dedicated anesthesia doctor and highly experienced technical staff are well trained in the administration and monitoring of all types of sedation and general anesthesia. Your pet is carefully monitored by a formally trained and experienced licensed technician during

anesthesia and recovery and is under the care of a veterinarian and veterinary staff the night following the procedure.

**At Home:** Your pet will typically go home the day after surgery. During your scheduled discharge appointment, we will review our detailed, written home care instructions. We will also answer any questions and address any concerns that you may have at that time. We want you to feel prepared to care for your pet at home.

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