



Brookville Road Animal Hospital

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Home Care Instructions

- Offer normal food tonight, along with the lactulose.
- Minimize activity for 7 days. Keep inside during this time, and do not allow to run or play with other pets.
- An e-collar should be worn for 5-7 days if he/she tries to lick at the sutures. This is strongly recommended when unsupervised.
- Expect a moderate amount of blood and mucus with very soft bowel movements. The wall of the rectum was prolapsed, exposed, swollen, and had compromised circulation while prolapsed. This means that the tissue was damaged, and some will die off. It is possible due to the duration of the prolapse, a perforation may develop in the rectum (this means fecal matter could leak into the abdomen.) If this happens, he/she will likely act very ill, painful, listless or extremely lethargic, have poor appetite, and very bloody stool. If these signs occur, please come in immediately, or to the nearest emergency hospital.
- **Schedule appointment in 5-6 days**, with your doctor to recheck and suture removal. This is critical, because the sutures around the anus (to keep the tissue from prolapsing) **must be removed** or defecation will not be possible without stool softeners.