

## DENTAL EXTRACTIONS

For pet's that have advanced periodontal disease, there are some important things to note before your pet's teeth are cleaned. There are occasions when our surgical technicians are cleaning your pet's teeth and some additional procedures may need to be performed for the health of your pet. These additional procedures may not be covered in prior estimates and may result in additional charges at check out.

If there are loose or diseased teeth, the veterinarian will remove them. Sometimes there are a number or teeth that need to be removed at one time. If a diseased tooth is not removed and is allowed to remain in the mouth, the infection can lead to heart disease, kidney disease, or even death. As alarming as this may seem, it is in the best interest of your pet's health.

Also, if a pet's periodontal disease is severe enough, the bones in the jaw are weakened. If the bone is weak/brittle this can potentially result in the jawbone breaking, as teeth are extracted. Unfortunately, there is no way to anticipate this happening; the veterinarian can only fix it when it occurs. This will result in additional costs for the repair, medications, and follow-up visits that were not previously expected.

By reading and signing this document, you acknowledge that additional procedures may occur during your pet's dental and that you agree to pay the additional costs associated with these services. Our veterinarians will use their best medical knowledge and judgment in order to provide the best care for your pet and give them a sparkling white smile!

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_