# Orchard Road Veterinary Surgery, Inc A Mobile Small Animal Veterinary Surgical Service

# What to Expect From Mobile Surgery

ORVS can provide consultations, examinations, radiographic procedures, radiograph interpretations, anesthesia and analgesia consultation, surgical services, bandaging, splinting and casting for your clinic, as an independent contractor.

## **Responsibilities of the Hospital Staff:**

- <u>Before Surgery</u> The patient should have a complete preoperative physical evaluation, and assessment for anesthesia and surgery by the attending clinician. This assessment should include review of any preoperative blood test results. Radiographs may be taken prior to the surgeon's arrival or radiographs that require special positioning (e.g. TPLO) may wait until the surgeon is present. The surgeon will be in contact with your clinic the day of the surgery to finalize the time of surgery. Once the time of surgery has been designated, all pre-medications and IV catheter placement and as much patient preparation as possible should be executed in a timeline anticipating the surgeon's arrival. Anesthetic induction should wait until the surgeon is present in most all cases.
- <u>During Surgery</u> Anesthetic monitoring and technical support need to be provided. All intraoperative medications (except for bupivacaine) need to be provided and administered by the attending clinician and technical staff. Most surgeries do not require a sterile surgical assistant. If an assistant is needed ORVS will try to give you advanced notice so that you can prepare. ORVS does not provide technical support at this time.
- After Surgery All post-operative patient monitoring and recovery from anesthesia as well as post-operative patient care prior to discharge is to be performed by your staff. This includes providing and administering all appropriate medications. The surgeon can provide recommendations on aftercare, pain-relieving medications or antibiotics based on individual patient needs. Regional anesthesia and epidural anesthesia can be provided by ORVS.

### **Responsibilities of the Mobile Surgeon:**

- <u>Before Surgery</u> The surgeon will be available by phone or e-mail for consultations. The case will be discussed and the proper surgical procedure will be decided upon. The date and time of the surgery will then be scheduled. ORVS will then fax a standard consent form for the specific surgery prior to the day of surgery. This is to be read and signed by the client and kept in that patient's medical record. The surgeon will contact your clinic on the day of the surgery to confirm the time of surgery.
- <u>During Surgery</u> ORVS provides all the surgical supplies anticipated for a given surgery. On occasion some items from your hospital may need to be used (e.g. tape, syringes, suture, etc).
- <u>After Surgery</u> –ORVS will provide you with a printed surgical report and a copy of the discharge instructions for your patient's records and a copy of the discharge instructions for your client. All recommended post-op medications will be prescribed through your staff.
  - o The surgeon can contact the client and give them a post-op summary if desired.
  - o The surgeon is also available, to both the hospital staff and the client, by phone or e-mail throughout the patient's recovery period to discuss any concerns or complications that may arise.

### **Estimates and Payment:**

ORVS operates as an independent contractor and is a corporation. Estimates for surgical or consult procedures will be provided by ORVS prior to the day of surgery.

Payment by check is preferred. ORVS cannot accept credit card payments.

Fees for services are charged to your clinic and are due upon receipt of services or within 30 days