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Discharge Orders

Persistent Right Aortic Arch

Feeding:

- Elevated feedings for life are recommended. Feed your dog with his food on a platform and his front feet elevated higher than the rear feet. This can be accomplished by feeding on a step stool or stairs; your dog should place his front feet on the first step with the food bowl on the second step. This allows gravity to assist food passage through the weakened and dilated part of the esophagus. Do this until you are sure that he can eat normally. A few dogs require this for life.
- Feed canned dog food liquefied in a blender for 3 weeks.
- After that give softened food for 3 months.

Exercise:

- Your pet is restricted to leash walks for 2 weeks.
- Then your pet may exercise about the yard without vigorous activity for 2 weeks.
- Then, your pet may exercise as normal.

Bandages:

- There are no bandages.

Incisions:

- Check the incision each morning for swelling, redness, drainage or other signs of infection. Call early in the day if there is a problem. Call if you are not sure.
- We need to recheck the incision in 3 or 4 days. Please make an appointment with your regular veterinarian.
- Please make an appointment for removal in 10 days, again with your regular veterinarian.

Observations:

- Be sure your dog is breathing normally. Report any fever or respiratory difficulties to your veterinarian.

Medications:

- Please read the instructions on the bottle(s) carefully. If there are any questions, please ask.

Follow Up:

- Please call with a progress report in 6 weeks, and again in 6 month.
- If Doctor is not available to the phone that day, leave a message with the staff. Doctor will return your call if he has any concerns, or you have any concerns.

Instructions:

Final Thought:

- Thank you!! Please call with whatever questions or problems you may have!!

[] **Dr. Martinson**

[] **Dr. Holloway**