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Special Care From the Heart

Questions You May Want to Ask Your Veterinary Healthcare Team

About your pet's cancer and treatment:

- What is the name of my pet's tumor?
- Is the tumor benign or malignant (cancerous)?
- How often does this type of tumor metastasize (spread to other parts of the body)?
- If left untreated, what will the cancer do to my pet?
- What diagnostic tests do we need to perform to determine the location and extent of the cancer (i.e., the stage of the disease)?
- What are all the treatment options, and what are the costs, side effects, time involved, and effectiveness of each treatment?

About your pet's pain management:

- Is my pet in any discomfort?
- How do you treat cancer pain?
- Is pain management important at this practice?
- What happens if my pet's pain is not relieved with the usual treatment?
- Is severe pain considered an emergency at this practice?
- Who do I call after hours?
- Will I receive directions in writing?



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- Who can help when you are away?
- What happens if my pet's pain does not go away?
- Who will show me how to give pain medication to my pet?

About your pet's nutrition:

- Is there anything special my pet should eat?
- How much should my pet eat?
- When should appetite stimulants be used?
- What is "assisted tube feeding?"
- How important is it to keep my pet from losing weight?
- How can we prevent my pet from losing its appetite?

About ensuring your pet does not have an upset stomach:

- How can I tell if my pet has an upset stomach?
- How can we prevent nausea and vomiting?
- When should I call for help if my pet seems nauseated or is vomiting?
- Who should I call?
- What can be done if my pet seems nauseated or is vomiting?
- What can we do to enhance appetite and ensure good nutrition?



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