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Outpatient Ultrasound/Echocardiogram

Client Information Sheet

Bridgetown Veterinary Emergency and Specialty offers Outpatient Feline and Canine Ultrasounds at the request of a veterinarian. Imaging services include Thoracic, Cervical, Cardiac and Abdominal Ultrasound.

The Outpatient Ultrasound service is meant to provide imaging for stable patients but should the pet need emergency care during their visit, they will be directed to our Emergency Department, located in the same building.

Preparing your pet for an **Abdominal/Thoracic ultrasound:**

- Please do not feed your pet for 12 hours prior to the ultrasound exam. A small amount of water is okay.
- If your pet has medical issues that make fasting impossible, such as diabetes, feeding prior to the exam is okay.
- If your pet requires oral sedation to facilitate a visit to the hospital, please have your primary veterinarian provide a prescription in advance of the appointment.
- The ultrasound scan will take approximately 30-45 minutes and your pet's abdomen will be shaved for optimal imaging.
- Within 48 hours of the exam, a report will be sent to your veterinarian.

Preparing your pet for an **Echocardiogram:**

- No need to withhold food or water for this exam
- It is okay to give all cardiac medications as directed prior to the appointment
- If your pet requires oral sedation to facilitate a visit to the hospital, please have your primary veterinarian provide a prescription in advance of the appointment.
- The Echocardiogram will take approximately 30-45 minutes and the sides of your pets chest will be shaved for optimal imaging.
- Within 48 hours of the exam, a report will be sent to your veterinarian.

Scheduling Information:

- All exams will be scheduled as either an appointment or as a drop-off visit.
- If an appointment was made, please arrive approximately 15 minutes before the scheduled exam time. Your pet will be taken to our ultrasound suite for the exam.
- If a drop-off appointment is scheduled, your pet will stay with us for the afternoon, and we will call you once the exam is complete and when your pet is ready to go home.

Cost of services:

- A detailed estimate of services will be provided to you at the time of your appointment, or you can call us at (503) 489-9535.
- Payment may be made by cash or credit and is due at the time of service.