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## QUICK FIX 2020

### POST-OPERATIVE GUIDELINES

Your cat was neutered (if Male) or spayed (if Female) today. The cat will be a little groggy or disoriented following surgery, but this should pass in a few hours. In the meantime, try to keep your cat as quiet as possible for a few days. If you can, confine your cat to a small area away from stairs or other hazards. It is best to keep your cat away from other animals until he/she completely recovers from the anesthesia.

The vet will provide you with specific instructions regarding food and water for your cat over the next 24 hours.

Things to watch for:

- **Bleeding or excessive licking.** Watch to make sure that there is no fresh bleeding from the incision site, and that your cat is not excessively licking the area.
- **Anorexia/vomiting/lethargy.** Your cat should recover his appetite and energy level quickly. If he/she isn't back to normal within 48 hours, please contact your veterinarian for advice.
- **Swelling or discharge.** The incision site should heal without further treatment. If you notice it has become enlarged, reddened or has a discharge, contact your veterinarian as soon as possible.

**In case of emergency, if your regular veterinarian is not available, call Crossroads Animal Referral and Emergency at 301-662-2273, VETURGENCY at 301-288-8387 or CARE at 301-368-6260.**