

Surgery

At Kinzua Vet Clinic, we offer a variety of surgeries including routine neuters and spays, tendonectomy as an alternative to declawing, cystotomy (bladder surgery to remove bladder stones), perineal urethrostomy, anterior cruciate ligament repair utilizing the SECUROS repair system, luxating patella repair, fracture repair by intramedullary pin and cerclage wire as well as bone plating and lag screw repair in select cases, limb and tail amputation, tumor removal, splenectomy, nephrectomy, intestinal resection and anastomosis, dental prophylaxis (ultrasonic scaler and rotary polisher), dental extractions, polyp removal, ear flush, entropion repair, and repair of stenotic nares.

Some of the above surgeries are not elective surgeries. Your veterinarian will help you decide which procedures are best for your pet. In some cases, referral to a surgical specialist at Orchard Park Veterinary Medical Center may be recommended.

A variety of pre-anesthetic bloodwork options are available to detect underlying disorders that may hinder your pet's ability to tolerate anesthesia or surgery. Your veterinarian can discuss these with you during the pre-surgery check-in exam.

We use a variety of pre-anesthetic medications for pain control and to minimize complications while under general anesthesia. The protocol is individualized for each animal based on species, weight, overall health, and the procedure to be performed. All patients under general anesthesia are intubated and maintained on isoflurane gas anesthesia with oxygen.

While under general anesthesia, your pet will be monitored by a veterinary technician. A pulse-oximeter is used to monitor the oxygenation of the blood, a doppler blood pressure system to measure the systolic blood pressure, an esophageal stethoscope to listen directly to the heart, an ECG to monitor for arrhythmias, and a respiratory monitor to track breathing.