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# **Post Dental Care**

Today your pet will have undergone some or all of the following procedures:

#### **Extractions:**

Any diseased teeth (either as a result of decay or tooth root infection) will have been extracted (or if possible repaired).

# Scaling and Polishing:

Calculus (tartar) and plaque will have been cleaned from around otherwise healthy teeth and these then polished.

You will be given an advice sheet for the routine care of your pet following a general anaesthetic. Below are some additional points that will apply following dental attention.

### Feeding:

Your pet's mouth may be quite tender, especially following extractions. Hard biscuit foods should therefore be avoided for at lease the first week or so.

#### Medication:

A course of antibiotics are often necessary to clear up active gum infection following dental attention. Also a short course (3-5 days worth) of pain killing, non-steroidal, anti-inflammatory medication may be supplied to help your pet over the initial post dental discomfort. Please make sure that you give your pet the whole course of medications prescribed.

Please be aware that the above procedures may make your pets mouth uncomfortable. As a result they may rub their mouth with their paws. You may also notice some bleeding/discharge from the mouth especially after extractions. If we have interfered with the canine teeth you may even notice a small amount of bleeding from the nose, this is nothing to be troubled over. If you do have any concerns please contact the vets.