



Hyperthyroid Treatment Center
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Patient Referral Form

Referring veterinarian information:

Veterinary hospital:

Doctor's name:

Address: City: Zip:

How would you prefer to be contacted?

Phone: Fax: E-mail:

Client information:

Client name:

Phone: E-mail:

Patient information:

Name of the animal:

Breed: Sex: Age:

Hyperthyroid Data:

Date hyperthyroidism diagnosed: Thyroid nodule? (y/n): Pretreatment T4/FT4 level:

Currently on methimazole (yes or no): Last T4 level not on methimazole:

Past relevant history— List any known concurrent diseases:

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Current treatment(s) or medication(s) other than methimazole:

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Please fax/email this form (and pertinent lab tests and medical record)

- Fax: 318-869-2274
- E-mail: hyperthyroidcat@gmail.com

Referring a Cat for Radioiodine Treatment

What diagnostic tests need to be performed before referral for radioiodine treatment?

As the cat's primary veterinarian, we need you to perform routine diagnostic testing and workup before referral for radioiodine treatment. This is very important because these cats tend to be middle- to old-aged and may have other unrelated geriatric problems.

The recommended laboratory work includes the following:

- CBC, serum chemistry panel, quantitative TT4, TSH and urinalysis
 - Within 1 month of referral (if longer than 1 month, we will repeat these tests on admission; we will charge owner for tests and extra day's stay)
 - The above basic blood work can be done while cat is on (or off) methimazole
- Chest radiographs
 - If cat has been hyperthyroid longer than 6 months or if arrhythmia, conduction disturbance, or heart failure is present
 - Should be done within 1 month of referral
 - If not done, we may do on day of admission and charge owner
- Echocardiogram and electrocardiogram
 - If arrhythmia, conduction disturbance or heart failure is suspected
- Abdominal ultrasound
 - If cat has poor appetite or other signs of non-hyperthyroid disease are present

NOTE: Cats must be eating and drinking on their own to be admitted.

Oral or injectable medications are acceptable on a review basis.

What else is needed?

- This referral form (completed by referring veterinarian), so we know how to best contact you
- Please clearly indicate the pretreatment serum T4 value and date of initial diagnosis (see front of form)
- Complete medical record (results of history, physical examination, and all laboratory results) since time of diagnosis of cat's hyperthyroidism
- We recommend that methimazole be discontinued 1 week prior to radioiodine treatment. If you feel that the cat's hyperthyroidism is too severe to stop medication, please contact us.

Where do I fax or email the medical record and Patient Referral Form?

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