



## Ruptured Cranial Cruciate Ligament, Tibial Plateau Leveling Osteotomy at Superior Animal Hospital

Please see the following link for more information on your pet's ruptured cruciate ligament:

[Ruptured Cranial Cruciate Ligaments in Dogs - Veterinary Partner - VIN](#)

Use this link to learn more about the TPLO procedure that is being recommended for your pet:

[TPLO \(Tibial Plateau Leveling Osteotomy\) in Dogs - Veterinary Partner - VIN](#)

### **IF YOUR PET HAS A TPLO PERFORMED AT SUPERIOR ANIMAL HOSPITAL, THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF WHAT TO EXPECT AFTER SURGERY:**

1. Monitoring the incision for redness, swelling, heat, pain, and discharge.
2. Your pet must wear an e-collar to prevent licking at incision until sutures/staples are removed.
3. Monitoring for pain.
4. Exercise restrictions: Strict rest. If your pet is not kenneled, he/she should be on a short, controlled leash. No running, jumping, or other high-impact activity for at least 8 weeks post-surgery. You will start with short leash walks the week after surgery and gradually increase the length of duration of activity.
5. Physical therapy - will be discussed at your discharge appointment and will include heat and cold therapy and passive range of motion.
6. Recheck appointments - your pet will need sutures or staples removed 10-14 days after surgery and follow-up radiographs 7-8 weeks after surgery. We also recommend laser therapy appointments to help with post-operative pain and inflammation. These are generally scheduled 2-3 times weekly for the first 2 weeks after surgery (for local patients).
7. Medications - Your pet will go home with pain medications and antibiotics after surgery.



## TIBIAL PLATEAU LEVELING OSTEOTOMY ESTIMATED 2022 COST (PER LEG)

1. Small/Medium sized dog (up to 50 lbs): \$3800-\$4500
2. Large dog (50-90 lbs): \$4000-\$4500
3. Giant Breed Dog (90+ lbs): \$4600-\$5500

## WHAT DOES SURGERY INCLUDE?

1. Presurgical evaluation, review of records, consult with Dr. Rose (a boarded surgeon and owner of Minnesota Mobile Veterinary Surgery).
2. IV catheter, anesthesia, monitoring.
3. Pre-op radiographs (additional views may be needed once pet is anesthetized), 8 week post-op radiographs for local patients.
4. Epidurals for some patients.
5. Prophylactic antibiotic injections.
6. NSAID (anti-inflammatory pain medication) injection.
7. Pre-op phone consult with Dr. Rose.
8. Surgery by Dr. Rose
9. Anesthesia recovery, monitoring, and pain management.
10. Post-op phone discharge with Dr. Rose.
11. Post-op medications as needed: Antibiotics, NSAIDS, other pain medications (gabapentin, hydrocodone), trazodone if needed.
12. In-person SAH doctor discharge with you, including review of radiographs, aftercare instructions, medication review.
13. Next day phone call to check on your pet.
14. If you are from a referring hospital, we will email your pet's medical record, surgery report, and post-op radiographs to your regular veterinarian.
15. We offer and recommend post-op laser therapy treatments to help relieve pain and inflammation to all local patients.

\*\*SAH can provide a more specific estimate for you once your pet's medical records have been reviewed. To reserve your appointment with our specialist, we do request a \$1500 deposit when surgery is scheduled\*\*

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