

Post Surgical Wound Healing

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Patient: Nala, Feline, 4 yrs old

Problem: Femoral Head Excision 12 days prior, due to extreme dog bite. Resulted in baseball sized slough as a result of shredded gluteal muscles and avulsion of the skin. Debrided and closed. Concern of poor circulation due to tension needed to close and underlying muscle damage

Previous Therapies: clavamox 125mg BID

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K Laser Protocols C5 Wound Healing

Treatment Frequency: 3 consecutive days,
Additional TX on day 13

Additional Treatments: Compresses soaked with physiological saline BID. Cephazolin 70mg I V BID 3days (on IV LRS with dextrose during this time). Force fed A/D.

Medications: Sent home with clavamox 125 mg BID 7 days.

Topical Medications: Physiological saline compresses BID until suture removal.

Outcomes: Using leg almost normally on third day of K Laser treatment. Notice progress at incision site from day 1 to day 3. Appetite returned and attitude improved.

Prognosis: good

Lessons Learned: Will consider K Laser for most/all post surgical sites, especially where vascular integrity is questionable.

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