

Information for the patient owner

Taking care of your pet after the gold acupuncture procedure

Everything you need to know to take care of your pet in the best possible manner after the **gold acupuncture** procedure.

After the sedation

- Your dog's spot should be quiet, slightly dimmed and have a normal temperature
- Never let your dog wake up near stairs or near an elevated spot (sofa, chair, bed, cat scratching post), as it can harm itself during a fall
- Prepare your dog's bed or place a blanket on the floor, so that your dog does not get hypothermic
- Do not force your pet to rest in a certain place, this would only cause stress and negatively affect the recovery period
 - If your pet chooses a spot to rest itself, then prepare this accordingly
- The recovery period
 - Dogs and cats are often very restless
 - They may tremble, crawl around, whine and howl
 - » These are not an expression of pain, but rather a possible reaction to the anesthesia

Food & water

- Offer water to your dog only once it is fully awake
 - Leave the water bowl in its usual place and do not force your pet to drink
- Your dog may have food 6 – 8 hours after waking up
 - Give only small portions of food first (approx. half of the usual amount) and wait about 30 minutes
 - » If your dog does not vomit during this time, it may have the remainder of the food, otherwise please only feed on the next day

Movement after the gold acupuncture procedure

- Because of the changes in strains on the muscles after the gold acupuncture procedure and for the regeneration after the joint injection, the dog may only walk on a short leash for 2 weeks.
- On the first two days, the walks should be shorter than usual, after that the walks can have their usual lengths and distances
 - » If you notice that your dog cannot walk the entire distances, shorten the walks
- Smaller dog breeds usually need additional physiotherapy
 - » Start 1 week after the implantation

If you have any additional questions or if you are unsure about the healing process, contact us at **+49 221 22 23 33 77** or **praxis@tierarzt-gotenring.de**.