



NWVS Oncology Discharge & Referral Instructions

Patient Information: Honey Miller 6 year old female spayed Staffordshire Bull Terrier	PI #: 55160
Owner: Nicole & John Miller [REDACTED]	Date Admitted: 10/13/14
Referring Veterinarian: [REDACTED] Linwood Animal Clinic [REDACTED]	Date Discharged: 10/13/14
Attending Doctor: [REDACTED], DVM, MS, DACVIM (Oncology)	Recheck Date: 10/20/14

DIAGNOSES: Lymphoma
History of skin allergies
Multiple subcutaneous masses

CASE SUMMARY: Honey, a 6 year old female spayed Staffordshire Terrier, presented to NWVS oncology service today to continue chemotherapy for lymphoma.

Honey originally presented to [REDACTED] on 9/15/14 for evaluation of lymphadenopathy. A fine-needle aspirate of an enlarged lymph node was performed and cytology consistent with lymphoma. Following an oncology consultation, a decision was made to pursue CHOP chemotherapy.

Honey is a previously healthy dog. She has a history of skin allergies and has multiple subcutaneous masses. Honey is eating, drinking, urinating and defecating normally. She is currently on Prednisone.

PHYSICAL EXAM:

Today's body weight is 31.6 kg	Rectal temperature is 100.4 F
Heart rate is 120 beats per minute	Respiratory rate is panting
Mucous membranes are pink & moist	Capillary refill time is < 2 seconds

Honey was bright, alert and responsive and very sweet. Her eyes, ears, nose and throat were clear. Her mandibular lymph nodes are palpable. All remaining peripheral lymph nodes were within normal limits. No heart murmur or arrhythmias were noted and she had a normal sinus rhythm and strong, synchronous pulses. Her lungs were clear and eupneic. Abdominal palpation was unremarkable. Honey demonstrated normal mentation and no obvious neurologic deficits. Rectal examination was not performed this visit.

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DIAGNOSTICS:

Complete blood count: Decreased white blood cells and neutrophil count. Neutrophils at 1,780, which is too low for chemotherapy administration today.

TREATMENT: No treatment was administered today.

MEDICATIONS:

1) **Prednisone 20 mg tablets:** Please give ½ tablet orally every other day for 7 days and then discontinue this drug. Prednisone is a steroid and is generally well tolerated. Prednisone can be associated with gastrointestinal upset, i.e. nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. If you notice these signs, or dark, tarry stool, please contact Dr. [REDACTED]. Prednisone can also cause increased panting, increased appetite, increased water intake and increased urination. Please do NOT give any other steroids, any nonsteroidal anti-inflammatories, such as Rimadyl or aspirin, while Honey is on this medication.

2) **Cerenia 60 mg tablets:** Please give 1 tablet orally ONCE daily as needed for nausea.

3) **Metronidazole 250 mg tablets:** Please give 1.5 tablets orally every 12 hours as needed for diarrhea.

DIET: Honey may continue with her regular diet.

ACTIVITY: Honey may continue to dictate her own activity level.

PLAN FOR RE-EVALUATION:

- 1) Honey is scheduled to return to NWVS oncology service on Monday, October 20th, 2014 for continued chemotherapy with drop off between 7:30 am and 8:00 am. Honey will be due for Doxorubicin chemotherapy at this visit.
- 2) Please do not hesitate to contact Dr. [REDACTED], with any questions or concerns regarding Honey. We can be reached at (503) 656-3999 and Dr. [REDACTED] can also be reached via email at [REDACTED]

**Honey looks wonderful! Hope she has a great week ahead!
Thank you for continuing to entrust us with her care.
Please keep us updated on how Honey is doing.**

Sincerely,

[REDACTED], DVM, MS, DACVIM (Oncology)