

# *Post-Op Laser Therapy*



## **What is Involved?**

Laser therapy involves passing a laser beam across your pet's skin directly above the area to be treated. To your pet it feels like some warmth is being dispensed to the exact spot where the tissue needs help. The beam of Laser light is passed over the area for usually 3 to 8 minutes. Your pet does not experience any pain or discomfort.

## **What effects does Laser Therapy produce?**

Laser therapy has been credited with many important and beneficial effects including pain relief, accelerated healing of injuries, increased circulation, anti-inflammatory, anti-microbial, reduced scarring, increased patient comfort and range of motion.

## **Why use Therapeutic Laser after orthopedic surgery?**

Post-op therapeutic laser is highly recommended for any patient who is having orthopedic surgery.

The therapeutic laser treatments will  
accelerate the healing of the injury,  
decrease post-op pain  
and increase range of motion of the joint.

We consider it the first and most important part of physical therapy and rehabilitation to get your pet 'back on his feet'!!

## **Number of Sessions?**

For best results we recommend a post-op treatment package of 4 therapy laser treatments:

1. Immediately post-op.
2. 2-3 days after surgery before going home.
3. 5-6 days after surgery (can be done at time of bandage change if applicable).
4. 12-14 days after surgery—at the time of staple/suture removal.

NOTE: The schedule does not require any additional visits or time on your part.

*Therapeutic Laser is an entirely different application and equipment than the Surgical Laser we use for surgical procedures.*