

## **Holistic Vasectomy**

A vasectomy involves tying the spermatic chords but leaving the testicles. With this option the dog/cat retains its male hormones. While this may have some health benefits, it also predisposes the pet to diseases of the testicle (cancer, torsion) and prostate (enlargement, infection, cancer.) Additionally, various perianal cancers are caused by testosterone and these can occur if a vasectomy is performed. However, due to our holistic approach, which minimizes vaccines, drugs, and chemicals and promotes healthy diets, we tend to see less complications with our vasectomies.

There is no "right answer" when selecting the sterilization process for your pet. While many pet parents opt for a traditional neuter, there's an increasing number of pet parents who prefer a vasectomy. We are happy to discuss your options with you and select the option that best suits your needs as well as your pet's needs.

\*\*It's important to note that as with all surgical procedures, a pre-surgical evaluation (physical examination & lab test) must be completed prior to providing an accurate treatment plan for the procedure. Every pet is unique as are their medical needs for surgery; therefore, an accurate treatment plan/estimate cannot be provided until we have properly evaluated your pet.\*\*