Informed Consent

Urethral Prolapse

Your pet has been diagnosed with a urethra prolapse. You have elected surgical correction. The goal of surgery is to remove or excise prolapsed tissue and suture the new end of the urethra to the end of the penis. The prognosis is generally excellent (10-20% complication rate) after surgery. However, we need to make you aware of the risks and complications associated with this surgery. If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know.

Stricture (narrowing) of the urethra-if poor healing occurs between the two tissues and healing doesn't occur as expected, a narrowing could occur and revision may be recommended.

Recurrence- depending on the breed, chronicity and severity of the issue, this is possible. If there is recurrence, surgical revision may be recommended.

Urinary tract infection- if this occurs, medical therapies may be needed

Hemorrhage (bleeding)- is common and can be profuse, but is generally a short-term issue (lasting several weeks postoperatively) and rarely life threatening