



Patient Label

Radioactive Iodine Treatment Consent Form

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the owner (or duty authorized agent of the owner) of the animal identified herein and that I do hereby authorize Oregon Veterinary Specialty Hospital, their agents and/or representatives, to perform the procedures described below:

- **Administration of radioactive iodine (I-131)**
- **Sedation (oral and/or injectable) and shaving if needed to facilitate injection**
- **Administration of supportive care during hospitalization (appetite, stress, stomach upset)**
- **Mandatory hospitalization as required by Oregon Health Authority post I-131 (48hr - 10 days)**

Sedative Release

I authorize the doctor on duty and assistants to perform the procedures listed above and on the attached estimate, including administration of sedative medications, as well as any necessary and appropriate medical, nursing, diagnostic, and/or emergency care for the animal. I have been advised as to the nature of the procedures and the potential risks.

I understand every possible precaution will be taken to ensure the safety of my pet. Furthermore, I understand that due to his/her condition, my pet may be at a higher risk of death compared to other animals.

By signing this form, I give permission for the doctors and medical staff of Oregon Veterinary Specialty Hospital to administer sedatives to my pet as deemed necessary to ensure the safety of my pet and the veterinary medical staff, as well as to permit optimal treatment of the above animal. Lastly, I accept that there is an inherent risk of potential side effects, including up to death, which can occur on rare occasions from sedation or drug interaction.

Kidney and Heart Release

1. Hyperthyroid patients can have occult (hidden) progressive kidney disease that may not be evident on pre-treatment testing. Hyperthyroidism causes increased kidney filtration rate (GFR) due to increased blood pressure and heart rate. Once the patient receives irreversible I-131, their GFR may decrease enough to reveal lab changes consistent with kidney failure. A pre-treatment trial of methimazole or y/d is intended to provide kidney status information with a normal thyroid, but is not a guarantee of post I-131 status.

2. Additionally, up to 40% of hyperthyroid cats have heart changes as the heart muscle responds to increased rate by thickening. In rare worst case scenarios, this thickening can lead to risk of heart failure or clot formation. Both of these can be lethal occurrences, especially in isolation with our limited ability to monitor, test, and treat radioactive patients. Pre-treatment testing, especially without an echocardiogram, does not fully assess a patient's heart's ability to withstand possible negative effects from stress of hospitalization. We will take precautions as we are able.

Initial I have been advised that radioiodine therapy can reveal "unmask" renal disease or worsen already present renal disease. I understand that methimazole or Y/D diet trial does not guarantee that patient will not develop kidney disease after I-131.

Initial I have been advised that cats with hyperthyroidism are prone to heart disease that may, in rare instances, destabilize with the stress of hospitalization.

Initial I have been advised of my cat's expected success rate of I-131 and of the importance of follow up exams and lab work at 1, 3 and 6 months, sooner if concerns. Retreatment at 50% cost may not be honored if the required follow-up labwork has not been pursued.

Initial I have been advised that my pet will be radioactive after treatment and that handling protocols should be used to protect humans that come into contact with the cat and any urine/feces.

Initial I have been advised as to the nature of the procedures or operations and the risks involved and have had the opportunity to have any question(s) answered.

Initial I have been advised that Oregon Veterinary Specialty Hospital is a specialty service and will only provide services deemed necessary for a referral case.

Signature:

Date: _____

Phone Numbers: Try 1st: _____ cell home work

Try 2nd: _____ cell home work