

The Equine Clinic at OakenCroft  
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FINANCIAL ESTIMATE AND  
INFORMED CONSENT FORM

CLIENT/PATIENT DATA

Client Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Problems: \_\_\_\_\_

ESTIMATE

The cost of the attempted medical and /or surgical care of your animal for the above problem(s) is estimated between \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and \$ \_\_\_\_\_. Please recognize that his estimate is only an approximation of the final cost to you for the attempted treatment of your animal. The final cost of treating your animal may be substantially different if additional disease conditions or complications develop.

PAYMENT POLICY

All fees are payable at time of service. A 5% discount is offered to all current accounts for cash or check payment at time of service. Major credit cards are also accepted, but without discount. Credit is available for clients with a good credit history. Work billed to your account is to be paid within 30 days. All accounts over 30 days are charged a monthly 1 ½ % finance charge. Payment in full is required in 60 days to keep your account open. A deposit may be required for extensive medical or surgical procedures. Please contact the office if a prolonged payment plan is needed.

INFORMED CONSENT

The treatment of your animal will be performed under the direction of the clinic Veterinarians who are committed to providing your animal quality Veterinary care. Despite the provision of such care, some animals may develop additional disease conditions or complications. In some cases, these conditions will require additional treatment, raising the cost of health care above and beyond the estimate provided. Occasionally, complications may be so severe that they result in patient death or extreme morbidity, sufficient to require humane euthanasia. While every reasonable effort to recognize and prevent these situations will be made, you should be aware that complications can and do occur.

The use of anesthesia is often necessary for diagnostic and therapeutic procedures performed by the Equine Clinic at OakenCroft. Although risk of death or injury during anesthetic induction, positioning, and recovery is present, it is often considered to be minimal. Risks are the greatest in large, colicky, toxic, or medically compromised patients. Both anesthesia and severe illness constitute substantial stress for the affected animals. Horses which are seriously ill or anesthetized can develop diarrhea, laminitis, musculoskeletal problems, pleuropneumonia, or severe infections. These conditions are expensive to treat and often cannot be resolved satisfactorily, thereby necessitating euthanasia.

By your signature, you acknowledge and accept that certain expenses and risks do exist surrounding the diagnosis, treatment, and care of your animal. Further, you understand and agree to the payment estimate and policy as outlined above.

Client or Agent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_