

Outlook Print Message

Obie

From: **Cassandra Ruthrauff** (cassandra.ruthrauff@bluepearlvet.com)
Sent: Mon 11/25/13 8:51 AM
To: tinahunsicker@hotmail.com

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this message in regards to what I suspect the foreign material was involved in Obie's linear foreign body. I suspect that the main portion of the foreign material was wadded up paper towels. There did seem to be some design on them as well. There were also some other small plastic pieces. There were some additional foreign objects that were impossible to identify, but the vast majority 80-90% seemed to be paper towel. As to the question of when he ingested it it is very difficult for me to say. I typically rely on client history to tell me when foreign objects have been ingested. I have seen gastric foreign bodies that have been present for months. However, in this case I suspect that it was likely within the week as I would expect at some point for gastric acid to have dissolved the paper towel, but maybe not in the quantity.

Thank you,

Cassandra Ruthrauff, DVM, DACVS



INVOICE

Treehouse Animal Clinic

2000 Moores Mill Road
Atlanta, GA 30318
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FOR: Tina Hunsicker
2910 Paces Lake Drive
Atlanta, GA 30339
(770) 444-9818

Printed: 10-18-13 at 3:19p
Date: 10-18-13
Account: 3796

Date	For	Qty	Description	Net Price
Services by Jamie Partido, DVM				
10-18-13	Obie	1	Office Exam	62.00
10-18-13		1	CBC Profile	167.00
10-18-13		1	Fluids SQ (300-1000 ml)	66.00
10-18-13		1	Cerenia Inj. 30-49.9 lbs	45.00
10-18-13		1	X-Ray 1st View	77.00
10-18-13		2	X-Ray, Addit. Views	136.00
10-18-13		1	Famotidine (Pepcid) Inj	38.00
Services by				
10-18-13			Visa payment	-591.00
Old balance	Charges	Payments	New balance	
0.00	591.00	591.00	0.00	

Reminders for: Obie (Weight: 62.5 lbs - 4y)		Last done
05-19-16	3 Year Rabies Vaccination	05-20-13
05-25-15	DHPP 3 yr.	05-25-12
05-20-14	Leptospirosis Annual	05-20-13
05-20-14	HWT - Occult	05-20-13
05-20-14	Bordatella (Kennel Cough)	05-20-13
05-20-14	Comprehensive Health Exam	05-20-13
02-14-14	Fecal Flotation	02-14-13

BluePearl Georgia Veterinary Specialists

455 Abernathy Rd.
Sandy Springs, Georgia 30328

Tel: 404-459-0903

Bill for Services

DATE
10/20/13

INV. NUM
1064500

Tina Hunsicker
2910 Paces Lake Drive
Atlanta, GA 30339
404-931-3944

Acct no.: 97287

Cassandra M Ruthrauff, DVM, DACVS

THIS INVOICE IS NOT FINISHED YET. THIS IS NOT A VALID RECEIPT.

Qty	Date	Patient	Description	Price	Ext	Tx
1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Examination GVEC emergency	\$88.50	\$88.50	
1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Catheterization IV	\$62.32	\$62.32	
1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Catheter Supplies T-port	\$21.63	\$21.63	
1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Fram FR Weekend Specialty Fram	\$167.50	\$167.50	
1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Anes Large Breed Super Item	\$0.00	\$0.00	
1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Premedication (Large)	\$59.50	\$59.50	
1.3	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Diazepam 5mg/ml	\$0.00	\$0.00	
1.3	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Hydromorphone 2mg/ml	\$0.00	\$0.00	
1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Induction	\$111.50	\$111.50	
1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Anesth isoflur 60-90min	\$318.50	\$318.50	
1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Laparotomy 2	\$1,056.50	\$1,056.50	
1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Operating Room - III	\$241.00	\$241.00	
1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Injection multiple	\$67.50	\$67.50	
17.1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Cefazolin 100mg/ml		\$5.81	
0.5	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Hospitalization >50lbs		\$32.50	
0.5	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	ICU II		\$49.50	
4	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Metoclopramide 5mg/ml		\$9.56	
27.3	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Fentanyl 0.05mg/ml		\$27.85	
1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Emerg Surgery Fee	\$451.50	\$451.50	
1	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Surgical Assistant - ER	\$343.00	\$343.00	
30	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Tramadol 50mg tab		\$9.50	
11	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Metoclopramide 10mg tab		\$9.50	
1.3	10/18/2013	Obama (Obie)	Hydromorphone 2mg/ml		\$15.00	
1	10/19/2013	Obama (Obie)	Examination (Daily Doctor)	\$68.00	\$68.00	
1	10/19/2013	Obama (Obie)	ICU II		\$99.00	
1	10/19/2013	Obama (Obie)	Hospitalization <50lbs		\$56.50	
1.3	10/19/2013	Obama (Obie)	Hydromorphone 2mg/ml		\$15.00	
1	10/19/2013	Obama (Obie)	Fluids-PlasmaLyte 1000ml/Bg IV		\$30.39	
10	10/19/2013	Obama (Obie)	KCl inj per ml (2meq/ml)		\$3.80	
1	10/20/2013	Obama (Obie)	Examination (Daily Doctor)	\$68.00	\$68.00	
4	10/20/2013	Obama (Obie)	Diet Hill's I/D 13oz K9	\$2.41	\$9.64	

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Qty	Date	Patient	Description	Price	Ext	Tx
Subtotal					\$3,493.50	
Tax					\$0.00	
Pmnt 1:		Amt:	\$0.00	Bill total	\$3,493.50	
Note:				Prev balance	(\$2,700.00)	
Pmnt 2:		Amt:	\$0.00	Payment	\$0.00	
Note:				NEW BALANCE	\$793.50	

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Pet Parent Hunsicker

Groomer Loren

Date 10/14/13



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Your Pet's Condition at Check-In

SKIN

☒ Healthy ☐ Dry ☐ Oily ☐ Other

Solution(s) used Moisturizing

Shampoo

Comments/Requests

COAT

☒ Good ☐ Matted ☐ Shedding ☐ Other

Solution(s) used 6 Corns Alo, red dy

bar (fuzzy) face.

Comments/Requests

EYES

☒ Clean ☐ Need Cleaning ☐ Red/Irritated

☐ Other

Solution(s) used

Cleaned, plucked,
shaved inside

Comments/Requests

TEETH

☒ Good shape ☐ Long ☐ Sharp ☐ Other

Solution(s) used

Clipped

Comments/Requests

TEETH

☐ Clean ☐ Need Brushing ☐ Other

Solution(s) used

Comments/Requests

How much notice did you have when visiting? Obie

was perfect for me today!

If there's anything I

can change for you, please

let me know!

Thank you!

Your pet should be groomed again in 42 days

NEXT APPOINTMENT

Your next PetSmart® Grooming Salon appointment:

Date / / Time

Salon phone# 770-432-8200

Objie Hunsicker ~~Monday~~ Monday (2)

10.18.13 P was groomed on ~~Monday~~ Monday

Since, P has (V) several times - frothy-mucus.

P is not eating like normal. only had little 1/2

since yesterday. Today P doesn't want to go out,

seems lethargic. I not 100% if Petsmart gave

P treats (they said they didn't) this is unlike P.

I concerned about Addison's Disease. ^{he eats everything -}

P only (V) at night, except today - P ^{paper} vomited on way here. (water) ^{amph} etc.

last litter - many of the pups have Addison's.

58.8 #

102.0 F

S: BAR - somewhat quiet

D: mm: p/tacky EENTILN/CO/L: NSF

Ab: soft, NSF. no fluid
Intest., int. do not palpate
thickened.

A: vomiting
lethargy

P. Lab: CBC/P in house: low EOS otherwise WNL
Na/K ratio: 39

P vomited several times after exam

tx: 2.67ml Cerenia given SQ (around 10 AM)
800 ml Sub Q fluids LRS

X1: VD: large round soft tissue opacity @ level of
pylorus over liver. Intestines not distended,
benign gas+fluid filled. Liver/spleen
sharply margined. Kidneys - con

Rt lateral: also a very round circular soft tissue
opacity, homogenous @ level of pylorus/stomach.
liver + spleen well margined

Left lateral: same circular opacity at level of
pylorus - more sharply demarcated

10/18/13
cont

tx: Famotidine 2.5ml SQ given at 12:30pm.

ce: 3pm - informed of FB in stomach - P needs surgery (most likely) - FB does not appear scopable - most likely needs ex lap. referred to GVS (U) for surgery + continued after care.

10/21/13 GVS
- Obie had gastrotomy + enterotomy
- Foreign material was removed from stomach + proximal duodenum.

ce: Called to check on P, P doing well!
thinks he ate a puppy. Pee Ped

10/30/13 S/R ☒ — surgery was 10/18/
copy Dr's notes from 10/18/13 if OK from Dr ☐

57.3#

T-

Patient History Report: Obama (Obie) - 10/30/2013

Clinic:

BluePearl Georgia Veterinary Specialists
455 Abernathy Rd.
Sandy Springs, Georgia 30328

404-459-0903

Client:

Tina Hunsicker
2910 Paces Lake Drive
Atlanta, GA 30339

Tel: 404-931-3944

Wk:

ID: 97287, File #: 84000

Patient: Obama (Obie)

ID: 115421

Tag:

Species: Canine, Portuguese Water Dog

Sex: male/neutered

Age: 4 yrs & 9 mo, DOD: 1/15/2009

Weight: 57.0 Lbs

Color: Black/white

Last visit: 10/20/2013

Referred By:

Dr. Carol Lipinski

Treehouse Animal Clinic

Tel: 404-355-7387 / Fax: 404-355-7493

Medical Record Entries:

10/20/2013

Examination (Daily Doctor) - Obie was bright, alert, and responsive. His mucous membranes were pink and moist, and his CRT was less than 2 seconds. His peripheral pulses were strong and synchronous. He had no peripheral lymphadenopathy. He had no murmur or arrhythmia. He was eupneic and his lungs were clear. His abdomen was soft and non painful. His incision was clean, dry, and intact with mild bruising. He was eating well with no vomiting. He was strongly ambulatory on all four limbs. A cursory neurologic examination was within normal limits.

day 2 post op enterotomy/gastrotomy for linear foreign body

Obama is going to go home today. Nurse to go over aftercare instructions at the time of his release (Cassandra M Ruthrauff, DVM, DACVS)

10/19/2013

Examination (Daily Doctor) - Obie was quiet, alert, and responsive. His mucous membranes were pink and moist, and his CRT was less than 2 seconds. Slight hypersalivation was noted. His peripheral pulses were strong and synchronous. He had no peripheral lymphadenopathy. He had no murmur or arrhythmia. He was eupneic and his lungs were clear. His abdomen was soft and non painful. Ventral midline incision looked good with minimal swelling/bruising and no discharge. A cursory neurologic examination was within normal limits.

day 1 post op cx-lap with enterotomy and gastrotomy for foreign body

doing well, likely to go home tomorrow (Cassandra M Ruthrauff, DVM, DACVS)

10/18/2013

Laparotomy 2 - A ventral midline celiotomy was performed. The stomach was distended and had a large amount of foreign material present inside of it. There was plication of the duodenum and proximal jejunum present. The remainder of the abdomen was within normal limits. A gastrotomy was performed and the foreign material was removed. The gastrotomy was closed with 3-0 PDS in a Cushing over Cushing pattern. The bowel was inspected and there was a small area of bruising in the middle of duodenal flexure (mild, it was otherwise normal). There was a small amount of foreign material remaining in the proximal duodenum. An enterotomy was performed and closed with 4-0 PDS in a simple interrupted pattern. The site was leak tested. Gloves and instruments were changed for closure. The abdomen was lavaged with sterile saline. The body wall was closed with 0 PDS in a simple continuous pattern, the SQ was closed in two layers with 3-0 Monocryl, and the skin was closed with 3-0 Fluorofil. (Cassandra M Ruthrauff, DVM, DACVS)

10/18/2013

History - Obama presented on ER for evaluation of vomiting of 5 days duration and suspect foreign body. He has a history of eating foreign objects and gastroenteritis, but never required surgery. He was taken to the groomer Monday and started vomiting after arriving home. It was suspected he was having gastroenteritis from a treat. He continued to having vomiting throughout the week. Last night he was inappetent and lethargic. He was taken to his family vet today where bloodwork was unremarkable. Radiographs were concerning for FB so he was referred to GVS. Prior to discharge he was given SQF, Cerenia (10am), and Pepcid (2pm). He is not on any other medications. (Amanda Cobb, DVM)

10/18/2013

Examination GVEC emergency - (Amanda Cobb, DVM)

Subjective : QAR. Estimated 5-6% dehydrated.

Objective: T: 102.1F P:90bpm R:32bpm Weight: 57.8lbs

General Assessment: Vomiting - intestinal FB

EENT: NSF

PLN: Normal size and character

H/L: no murmurs or arrhythmias, lung sounds clear in all fields, pulses strong and synchronous bilaterally, cupnic, mm p/sl tacky/crt 2s

Abdomen: tense, somewhat painful, no masses or abnormalities noted

Rectal : NSF

Musculoskeletal/Neuro: Amb x4. Normal mentation.

Urogenital: NSF

Integument: NSF

Plan: IVC; transfer to sx

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POST-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

Patient: Obama (Obie) Hunsicker

October 18, 2013

Procedure: Gastrotomy and enterotomy

General care/activity: For the next two weeks, please confine your pet to house rest, avoiding stairs, slippery floors, running, jumping and rough play. Limit outdoor activity to short slow leash walks during this time. It can be normal for your pet to be somewhat depressed and even to vomit once or twice following general anesthesia. However, if you notice persistent vomiting or depression, increasing abdominal distension or pain, fever or other general health problems, please call.

Incision care: Look at the incision daily and notify us or your regular veterinarian if you notice increased swelling, redness, discharge or missing sutures. An Elizabethan collar may be necessary to prevent your pet from licking, chewing, scratching or rubbing at the sutures. If you need to bathe your pet, please avoid direct application of soap and water to the surgery site.

Suture removal: Skin sutures need to be removed in 10 to 14 days. Please schedule an appointment a few days in advance. If necessary, your regular veterinarian can remove the sutures.

Additional information: Please feed Obama (Obie) a bland diet of boiled rice and boiled meat or prescription i/d for the next 5-6 days. Please feed several smaller meals daily. If he is doing well at that point, you can gradually reintroduce his regular food.

Medications:

Metoclopramide 10mg tab , 11 Tablet

Please give 1/2 tablet by mouth every 8 hours until gone.

Tramadol 50mg tabs, 30 tab

Please give 1-1.5 tablets by mouth every 8-12 hours as needed for pain relief.

PLEASE CALL WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

October 21, 2013

Dr. Carol Lipinski
Treehouse Animal Clinic
2000 Moores Mill Road
Atlanta, GA 30318
Fax: 404-355-7493

Dear Dr. Lipinski,

Thank you for the recent referral of Tina Hunsicker's pet Obama (Obie). Obama (Obie) (DOB January 15, 2009) a male neutered Portuguese Water Dog, was last examined on October 20, 2013. He was presented with the chief complaint of suspected foreign body.

Obama presented on ER for evaluation of vomiting of 5 days duration and suspect foreign body. He has a history of eating foreign objects and gastroenteritis, but never required surgery. He was taken to the groomer Monday and started vomiting after arriving home. It was suspected he was having gastroenteritis from a treat. He continued to having vomiting throughout the week. Last night he was inappetant and lethargic. He was taken to his family vet today where bloodwork was unremarkable. Radiographs were concerning for FB so he was referred to GVS. Prior to discharge he was given SQF, Cerenia (10am), and Pepcid (2pm). He is not on any other medications.

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Diagnostic Procedures:

CBC and Biochemistry panel: no significant abnormal findings

Abdominal radiographs: consistent with suspected linear foreign body

Diagnosis: suspected linear foreign body

Surgical Treatment: abdominal exploratory

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Comments:

Obie did well after surgery. He was released into the clients care on Sunday October 20, 2013. A copy of the aftercare instructions given to the client is below.

Thank you for referring this case to us. Obama (Obie) was a great patient and we appreciated the opportunity to work with him. Please feel free to call with any questions about Obama (Obie) or any others.

Sincerely,

Cassandra M. Ruthrauff, DVM
Diplomate ACVS

Aftercare:

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