

# **Sugar Land Veterinary Specialists**

Radiation Therapy for Feline Hyperthyroidism

Consent To Treat With I131

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\_\_\_\_\_ has been diagnosed as having a hyperactive thyroid gland (Hyperthyroidism). Radioiodine therapy has been shown to be an effective treatment. The therapeutic use of radioactive substances must be closely controlled and monitored by radiation safety personnel. After your cat receives the radioiodine, it is housed in a special area and all of its excrements (urine and stool) are collected and stored by trained radiation safety personnel. The expected confinement period is 3-5 days.

A potential disadvantage of this treatment is that should your cat need critical care, it must be provided in the confines of the radiation ward. This area is not equipped for critical care and because of the radiation hazard, personnel cannot remain close to the patient for extended amounts of time. Thus, compromises in medical treatment could arise if your cat becomes ill. Owners cannot visit the radiation ward. In the rare event your cat dies during the confinement period, your cat's remains cannot be returned to you and must be disposed of by radiation safety personnel.

I have read and understand the above conditions of treatment and give permission for radioiodine treatment.

Client Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_