

Important questions every client should ask their vet!

Do you utilize pain scores for every pet every time? Here at Larkin Veterinary Center, we treat pain as a vital sign and assign an acute and chronic pain score to every pet every time they visit our hospital.

If my pet goes under anesthesia, will a nurse be by his/her side the entire time? A trained veterinary nurse will be by your pet's side from induction all the way through recovery, manually and electronically monitoring heart rate, blood pressure, temperature, respiratory rate, and pulse oximetry. Your pet will also have an IV catheter and IV fluids to help with kidney function, hydration and blood pressure.

Do you offer estimates for your services and honor them? We willingly offer estimates for any of our services, often even without request!

Is a dental exam part of your wellness examinations? All of our veterinarians perform dental examinations at every wellness exam, assign a dental health score, and will recommend the appropriate dental procedure for your pet.

Do you use local anesthesia for your dental and surgical procedures? We always strive to keep all of our patients safe and comfortable, so we utilize local anesthesia in our dentals by performing dental blocks and in our surgeries by performing regional, line/incisional, and ring blocks.

Do you offer in-house laboratory testing? When your pet is sick, you want answers as soon as possible. Our hospital features in-house laboratory testing equipment and SNAP tests to provide you with answers quickly.

Do you take digital dental x-rays? Many hospitals take dental x-rays, but we actually have digital dental x-rays, which allows us to see your pet's x-rays within seconds, without having to take the time to develop them while your pet is under anesthesia