

**COUNTRY ROADS VETERINARY SERVICES**

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**FELINE SPAY**

Spaying your female cat is an important decision for you to make. There are several health, behavioral, and ethical implications of having your cat spayed. Spaying involves removing the ovaries and uterus (ovariohysterectomy) from the cat's abdomen. The surgery is routine and low risk. Recovery to normal activity can be anticipated within a few days.

Female cats can be quite boisterous and annoying when they are in heat, especially if they are house pets!! Not removing the uterus and ovaries from your cat could also lead to uterine cancer, ovarian cancer, or infection of the uterus. All of these are serious and sometimes fatal diseases that can be completely prevented by spaying your cat when she is a young, healthy kitten (6 months old).

Female cats also have a tremendous ability to reproduce at an alarming rate. One cat can generate 15 or more kittens per year, each of which can in turn produce 15 or more kittens in a year. Due to this fact, cat overpopulation in the United States has resulted in hundreds of thousands of cats being euthanized in Humane Societies each year. Having your cat spayed is one way you can do your share in becoming a part of the solution to this problem,

We would be happy to answer any of your questions regarding this surgical procedure, anesthetic concerns, pain management, and our pre-anesthetic blood testing program with you today.