



# SYDNEY DOGS & CATS HOME

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## **Sydney Dogs and Cats Home - After Hours Veterinary Emergency Procedure (Please print this letter out to take to your After-Hours vet in an event of an emergency)**

Dear Treating Veterinarian,

The animal presented to you is an animal from Sydney Dogs and Cats Home (SDCH), a charity shelter. The person caring for this animal is an SDCH volunteer foster carer who is caring for the animal in their home temporarily.

SDCH has our own veterinary staff and hospital facilities but does not have the capacity to provide after-hours care for our animals. Our foster carers are advised that if their foster animal requires emergency care that they should seek assistance from their nearest after-hours veterinary clinic. In the case of a minor issue that does not require emergency treatment, we ask that foster carers contact SDCH the following morning for treatment and advice.

As you can appreciate, SDCH functions with limited financial resources. In the case of an after-hours emergency we ask that you provide stabilisation and supportive care, with a view to handing over the case to the SDCH veterinarians the following morning.

We appreciate that in some cases euthanasia is the most humane outcome for an animal and we trust your judgement as to whether this is required immediately.

Please be advised that only SDCH management can authorise extensive or nonessential veterinary care as SDCH will be covering all costs incurred. Foster carers are not permitted to authorise nonessential care and SDCH will not cover nonessential costs authorised by foster carers. Any standard costs will be covered by SDCH.

Thank you for caring for our animal/s, we look forward to working with you in future

Kind regards,

Dr Laura Taylor



**Head of Animal Care**

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