

Animals and Surgery

In the event that your animal needs surgery the most important remedies to give are **Arnica** and **Hypericum**. Give two or three doses a day, preferably starting with a dose before the surgery and continue for a few days to promote healing. After abdominal surgery add **Staphysagria** and **Bellis perennis** and if the surgery involves bone and ligaments **Ruta grav** is important. If there is an adverse reaction to the anaesthetic give **Phosphorus**.



The rate of healing generally depends on the type of operation, severity of the injury and overall health of your pet. Your pet may experience pain, have internal or external bruising, internal or external bruising, inflammation or tissue damage that affects functioning and mobility. The healing process involves the restoration and regeneration of connective tissue, nerve fibers and blood vessels; if the process is slow consider **Carbo veg**, **Arsenicum** or **China**.

To choose the best remedies pay attention to particular symptoms such as general reactions to heat and cold, food desires and aversions, reactions to pain such as worse from movement or restlessness, redness, heat and swelling at the wound site. For instance pain that is much worse from movement **Bryonia**. Stiffness and pain with restless desire to keep moving **Rhus tox**.

During the healing process your pet will require plenty of rest, quiet and good nutrition. Mostly, you will need to lavish your pet with lots of TLC and attention and provide a safe, quiet sleeping environment with extra bedding for him to rest comfortably. Try to be patient, gentle and confident when handling your pet and keep in mind that he cannot explain the extent of his discomfort or pain.

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