



# ECLIPSE

## VETERINARY IMAGING

### ANXIOLYTIC MEDICATIONS FOR OUTPATIENT ULTRASOUNDS

We are committed to providing a calm and comfortable experience for your patients. To support this, we strongly recommend the following medication options.

For optimal effectiveness, these medications should be **administered two (2) hours prior to the appointment**. *An additional dose given the night before the appointment may enhance the effect.*

#### CANINE

##### **Gabapentin 10-20mg/kg PO**

\*Consider dosing at 5-10mg/kg for geriatric or azotemic patients

#### AND

##### **Trazodone 2-5mg/kg PO**

Safe to dose in combination with Gabapentin.

#### FELINE

##### **Gabapentin 5-20mg/kg PO**

Typical effective doses are **50mg for a medium size** cat and **100mg for a large** cat \*Consider dosing lower at ~ 2.5-5mg/kg for geriatric or azotemic patients. Cats with renal insufficiency can be very sensitive to the sedation effects of Gabapentin

#### AND one (1) OF THE FOLLOWING:

##### **Buprenorphine 0.015- 0.02mg/kg Transmucosal/Sublingual**

Safe to dose in combination with Gabapentin.

#### OR

##### **Trazodone 12.5mg – 25mg total dose per cat, PO**

Safe to dose in combination with Gabapentin.

Doses provided by Megan Tzipory, DVM, DACVECC

Please consider the patient's overall health and any concurrent medications when selecting a treatment plan.

While the medications listed above are safe for concurrent use, they will likely result in increased sedation levels and duration. Clients should be informed of this when dispensing.

Please reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns.

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