

Centers For The Treatment of Feline Hyperthyroidism

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SCHEDULING YOUR PATIENT FOR I-131 THERAPY

WE TREAT PATIENTS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS: HOLBROOK, LONG ISLAND, SYRACUSE, NY, QUEENSBURY, NY, STAMFORD, CT & DANBURY, CT.

- 1. Your client may call our office at (631) 467-TCAT (8228) to set up an appointment for their cat or the referring veterinarian /hospital staff member may call us to request a pre admission form which can be filled out and faxed back to us and we will call the client directly.
- 2. When the appointment has been made we will instruct the client to make an appointment with your office for any pre testing that has not been done up until that point. We require as part of our pre testing a **Bloodchem/CBC/T4**, **urinalysis**, **and chest and abdominal radiographs** (**DV/Lat views**). We will fax your office a medical history form to be filled out and a request for the medical data to be faxed or e-mailed to us.
- 3. If there is any concern to the cat's renal function (azotemia or USG of <1.035), a Tapazole/Y/D diet trial should be considered prior to I-131 treatment.
- 4. When we receive the medical information, the team of specialists will review the data. We need the pre testing information 1 week prior to the cat's scheduled appointment. If the cat is determined not to be a candidate for the I-131 you will be contacted by one of our specialists and consulted with about the case.
- 5. Cats who are currently taking Tapazole or Y/D, should be taken off the medication/diet seven to ten prior to the scheduled I-131 treatment. If the cat has been taking medication/diet long term (more than 6 months), a T4 should be taken approximately one week after the cat has been taken off the medication/diet. T4 levels factor into how the I-131 dosage is determined.