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Whelp Watch

We are by appointment only. Progesterone tests are run and results are returned daily.

If you do not follow these instructions, **I WILL NOT** be able to help you with your c section.

Starting 5 days before her anticipated due date, Twice daily:

Please text 810-679-2770

Whether she has a temp drop below 98 degrees or whether it is normal, and whether she has milk let down

Also watch her closely for all of the following twice daily.

- 1. Looking for a rectal temperature drop, watching for a temp drop below 98 degrees.
- 2. Stripping the milk glands, looking for milk let down, at least from the back milk glands.
- 3. Watching for an episode of refusing to eat a daily meal.
- 4. Nesting and digging behavior.
- 5. Excessive panting, discomfort, and distress.
- 6. Vaginal discharge, stringy clear mucous discharge during or after urinating. This discharge is normal as it gets closer to the due date, however any other color is an urgent concern.
- 7. Any signs of contractions, subtle or obvious.
- 8. Vomiting and or diarrhea.

DO NOT expect a returned text message or phone call when updating us twice daily about your bitch, however, if you have any concerns please feel free to call us and get ahold of someone at our clinic with your concerns!

(We often will not respond to a phone call from after midnight until 8am.)

In the event that you are needing help and are unable to contact us, please proceed to call your second and third option emergency veterinarians.