WAG ANIMAL ER — PRE-VISIT & TRANSPORT EMERGENCY GUIDE

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What to do when transporting a pet in a medical emergency:

1. **Call Ahead En Route:** Call our ER team at **[Clinic Phone Number]** while traveling. This allows our triage team to prepare oxygen, trauma bays, or surgical suites before you arrive.
2. **Safe Handling & Patient Transport Guidelines:**
   - *Trauma / Suspected Fractures:* Move the pet gently on a rigid surface (wooden board, ironing board, or taut blanket stretcher) to prevent spinal movement.
   - *Respiratory Distress / Bloat:* Keep the pet calm, cool, and upright. Minimize stress and avoid squeezing the neck or chest.
   - *Seizures:* Clear the surrounding area of hard objects. Do NOT place hands inside or near the pet's mouth. Note the exact duration of the seizure.
   - *Toxin Ingestion:* Bring the chemical container, plant sample, medication bottle, or packaging with you to the emergency clinic.