Post-operation

Complications: If the animal is infected with tetanus, Clostridium tetani, clinical signs normally seen with this infection are leg stiffness, stiff tail raised away from the body, eyes widely open, muscle spasms, lockjaw, inability to eat or drink resulting in weakness and dehydration. Treatment of tetanus is difficult as muscle relaxation is needed, neutralization of the circulating unbound tetani toxin, eliminate infection with antibiotics, maintain hydration and nutritional status and provide good footing with proper bedding. The site of the infection should be cleaned to remove the dead tissue which is then flushed with hydrogen peroxide. This would reduce the toxin production. Antibiotics such as penicillin is recommended at high doses for at least one week.