Soft Tissue Surgery Service
Don Low Fellowship

Description of Service Activities

The Soft Tissue Surgery (STS) Service evaluates and treats small animals via a variety of different surgical procedures, with specific focuses in Surgical Oncology, Minimally Invasive Surgery and Interventional Radiology. Additionally, faculty on the STS Service supervise residents in providing surgical care for dogs, cats, and occasionally exotic and avian species, and instruct 4th-year veterinary students in small animal STS diseases. Members of the STS group also provide consultations to referring veterinarians and clinicians from other VMTH Services and provide after-hours surgical coverage for cases being evaluated at the VMTH.

Learning Objectives

1. Understand the indications for referral of a surgical case to a surgical specialist.
2. Understand the indications for performing surgery on an emergent basis.
3. Understand the current indications for minimally invasive surgical procedures.