

Policies and Procedures

Panleuk Protocol and Medications

Testing

Kittens that are sick with panleuk will have a combination of some or all of the symptoms below:

- inappetance
- vomiting
- diarrhea

If the kitten is in the nursery - parvo test.

If the kitten is in foster care - do not test but start the Panleuk Medications (see below). We do not test in foster because our treatment plan does not depend on the test results.

If the foster insists on knowing or there are other kittens at risk - test.

Medications

RX: Enrofloxacin (100mg/ml) - 2mg/lb SQ in fluids SID x 3 days

This is a tiny amount (0.02cc per pound) - less than a drop. Do NOT overdose!

Injecting without diluting will cause an abscess

RX: Polyflex 0.05cc/lb BID x 3 days (refrigerate)

RX: Cerenia (10mg/mL) <1lbs 0.05cc, 1-2lbs 0.1ml, >2lbs 0.04cc SQ SID x 3 days (refrigerate)

RX: LRS 15cc SQ per pound of body weight TID x 3 days

Feeding and Care

Kittens should be force fed gruel or baby food as often as possible. Nursery force feeding guidelines should be followed. They should be kept warm and cozy to prevent Fading Kitten Syndrome!

After 3 normal stools or 3 days of eating well and no vomiting they can be considered negative or tested if in the ward.

Each kitten must be bathed TWICE to get all the poop off and dried to prevent them from getting chilled (warm towels from the dryer work well and you can use a hair dryer on lowest setting but be very careful to not burn their fragile skin!)

Panleuk is VERY contagious just like Parvo! Fosters should be aware especially if they have unvaccinated cats or kittens under 4 months of age- Please ask and inform!