Cat Alopecia Protocol

If areas of hair loss noted on exam follow this process:

1. **Woods Lamp**
   a. If positive – follow ringworm protocol
   b. If negative – see “2”

2. **Skin Scrape**
   a. If positive for sarcoptic mange:
      i. Positive slide needs to be confirmed.
         1. Treat with Revolution 6mg/kg 2 q weeks x 2 doses. Non contagious after 2 weeks or when no longer itchy.
         2. ZOONOTIC POTENTIAL
         3. Notify staff for signage and handling precautions.
      ii. Will also need plan for littermates if has littermates/cagemates.
   b. If positive for demodex
      i. Positive slide needs to be confirmed
      ii. CONTAGIOUS TO OTHER CATS.
         1. Needs appropriate signage/isolation. Notify staff.
      iii. Lime Sulfur dip twice weekly x 3 weeks then recheck for additional skin scrape.
   c. If skin scrape is negative:
      i. Veterinarian needs to see lesions before medication is prescribed.
      ii. Veterinarian ONLY – consider course of clindamycin, comfortis trial, food trials, dry food only trials....

**ALL CLINICAL SIGNS, EXAM FINDINGS, AND MEDICATIONS NEED TO BE WRITTEN ON THE SHEET OR PUT DIRECTLY INTO THE RECORD.**