

### Dog Diarrhea Protocol

#### Under 6 weeks old

If nursing/eating, gaining weight, gums pink

- Penicillin G - SQ with SQ fluids (10mL/lb) SID x 3 days
- Amoxicillin - PO BID x 7 days

If not nursing well, losing or not gaining weight

- Baytril SQ (5mg/lb) with SQ fluids (10ml/lb) x 3 days
- Cerenia SQ x 3 days
- Recheck:
  - in 24 hours IF not gaining weight
  - in 3 days if diarrhea not resolved

If gums pale

- Get PCV/TP/BG and consult with vet

#### 6 weeks to 6 months old

*Consult w/ vet if severe watery or bloody diarrhea, vomit, inappetance, lethargy, pain, pale, weight loss*

Consider parvo testing if:

- diarrhea +/- vomiting and/or not eating
- puppy has been in shelter for less than one week
- history of exposure to a parvo positive puppy.

**Step 1:** If BAR, eating, gaining weight (puppy) and diarrhea for more than 1-2 days:

- Panacur PO SID x 3d
- Marquis paste x 1 (0.3mL/lb)
- Metro x 5 days

**Step 2:** If no improvement in 48 hours (still BAR)

- Request a fecal sample and prepare fecal float
- Consult with vet

#### 6 months and older

*Consult w/ vet if severe watery or bloody diarrhea, vomit, inappetance, lethargy, pain, pale, weight loss*

Consider parvo testing if:

- diarrhea +/- vomiting and/or not eating
- puppy has been in shelter for less than one week
- history of exposure to a parvo positive puppy.

**Step 1:** If BAR, eating, and diarrhea for more than 1-2 days:

- Metro x 5 days

**Step 2:** If no improvement in 48 hours

- Panacur PO SID x 3 days

**Step 3:** No improvement in additional 48 hours

- Marquis Paste (0.3ml/lb)
- Extend Metro x 5 days

**Step 4:** No improvement in additional 48 hours

- Request fecal sample
- Veterinarian – Consider: additional fecal float/fecal smear, tylen powder, fortiflora/probiotics, bland diet, vitamin B12, kaolin.