

# Feline URI Treatment Checklist

Feline URI = Cats with acute onset of sneezing and nasal and/or ocular discharge

## Initial Diagnosis

Veterinarian exam to determine if mild, moderate, or severe URI

Transfer cats with severe URI to another facility for treatment or consider humane euthanasia

Cats with mild URI can remain in Adoption

- No treatment
- Daily monitoring for progression of clinical signs

Move cats with moderate URI to Isolation for treatment

## Treatment

Follow PPE requirements for working in Isolation

Start doxycycline suspension 10 mg/kg orally SID X 10 days

Apply doxycycline ophthalmic ointment to both eyes BID X 10 days

Give LRS fluids SQ SID X 3 days

Vet may request gabapentin suspension orally BID for cats with oral ulcers

Offer fresh canned food such as a/d BID

## Monitoring

Follow PPE requirements for working in Isolation

Monitor attitude, appetite, and clinical signs daily during medication rounds

Notify veterinarian if not eating by 3<sup>rd</sup> day, has a persistent fever ( $T > 102.8$ ), or condition worsens (congestion, trouble breathing, rapid respiratory rate, increased effort to breathe, coughing, bloody discharges)

Schedule veterinarian exam on Day 10

- Discontinue treatments and release from Isolation if clinical signs have resolved
- Continue treatments and monitoring if clinical signs have not resolved

Schedule veterinarian exam on Day 14

- Discontinue treatments and release from Isolation if clinical signs have resolved

- **If clinical signs have not resolved, veterinarian will determine whether to continue care if a foster home or transfer to a rescue group**