

# WARNING SIGNS OF ILLNESS

Things to Look for in your Foster Kitty.

- If your cat or kitten stops eating or loses weight this is a huge concern! Kittens can dehydrate very quickly and go downhill VERY fast! Contact your Mentor.
- If your cat or kitten has eye drainage that is yellow or green, this is an eye infection and will require Antibiotic eye drops. Contact Mentor
- (Putting a pinch of Lysine in the wet food once a day is very beneficial for their eyes and immune system even if they don't have an eye infection.)
- Lysine is an Amino Acid and is safe to give daily.
- If your foster is sneezing a lot and has drainage from it's nose this would be an Upper Respiratory Infection and requires Oral Antibiotics, contact your Mentor. Putting Lysine in the food will also help with an Upper Respiratory infection.
- If your cat or kitten stops playing and just wants to lay down and sleep all the time or open mouth breathing with play and tires easily, contact your Mentor.
- -If your foster is not acting the same and it's nose is warm you can check the temperature by putting the thermometer under their arm and hold it tight against their skin. When you get a reading you will have to add a degree since it is not an oral or rectal temperature. Normal temp for a cat or kitten is 101-102.
- If your foster starts urinating outside of the box, this usually means a Urinary Tract Infection. The cat would need to be seen by a Vet. If your cat or kitten sits in the litterbox and is straining to urinate, this is a HUGE concern and an Emergency situation. The cat will need to be checked for a urinary Blockage which is life threatening. Contact your Mentor.
- If your foster is constantly scratching at their ears and there is black debris (looks like coffee grounds) this is Ear Mites and needs medication. Contact Mentor (Be sure to Wash bedding and vacuum carpets during and after treatment.)
- If your cat or kitten develops diarrhea or foul smelling stool you need to contact your Mentor. Kittens can dehydrate VERY quickly, which can turn into an emergency situation. Weighing your kitten daily is VERY important, to catch any weight loss early!!!
- \*\*If you have any questions or concerns please ask your Mentor or text one of our medical volunteers below.

Medical Volunteers-text is best

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