

Some Information on Treatment of Diarrhoea.

We live on acreage, on tanks that can get germs. Germs in the water can cause diarrhoea, and certainly many other sources like food can cause it as well. Treatment in the form of drugs can be hard on the gut, sometimes causing malabsorption problems, especially if it is recurring. So here are a couple of things I have found very useful.

Charcoal is definitely a good product for diarrhoea. It is an older type of home remedy used for diarrhoea in humans and many animals, including horses. It can also be used for absorption of poison and toxins, not just 'gas' A couple of article I have read say it can help with giardia too.

I have recently used it for diarrhoea with a couple of my cats. I get Active Charcoal 200 mg tablets from the chemist. I break a tablet into quarters, crush and mix with about 1-1.5 ml of water. I give half of this so about 25 mg, use a syringe and since it is tasteless, the cats don't mind. I give it once, and if necessary, once more the next day. It works. Give charcoal at least 2 hours before or 1 hour after a dose of any other medicine, because it binds to other drugs and can make them less effective, And wait a while before giving food.

On a couple of trips to Bali, I got the Bali belly and it is the best treatment if you don't wait too long. This is what the locals use too.

Another product I found in my research for treatment of diarrhoea is called DigestaVite Plus, and comes in 100 mg It is a 'pre biotic', full of nutrients, it helps with absorption, tastes a little like grass, smells similarly and can be given in a syringe or mixed in wet food. $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{8}$ th of a teaspoon. Definitely a great product also, and the cats are happy to eat it. Even our vet is recommending this now.

This is the website for information. You will be surprised at the number of vitamins and minerals and how it works. <http://www.naturalanimalsolutions.com.au/DigestaVite-Plus.html>

Pre biotics are also present in Royal Canin Baby dry food and in some of the Optimum dry food.

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