

# Patient Care Information

## Transdermal Gel Medications and how to apply them

*Transdermal Gel Medications* are so named because the animal absorbs them through its skin. This method is less invasive and less traumatic for both the animal and its owner.

Your Veterinarian has prescribed a *compounded prescription*. The dose is small so we've provided a 1 ml oral syringe so you can measure the required amount accurately. You'll see 2 scales on the side of the syringe. One scale is in ml (milliliters) and the other is measured by drps (drops) The directions on the prescription label will tell you which scale to use. Please call us at **585-394-4930** if you have any questions.

We dispense Transdermal Medications in convenient, pre-loaded oral syringes. We also include finger cots to protect you while you apply the gel. Transdermal Meds will absorb through your skin too, which is why the cots are important.

You'll apply the prescribed amount of gel to the *pinna* of the cat's ear. The pinna is the portion of the ear on the front side above the ear canal. We use this part because it has good blood flow, is easily touched and usually has little fur growth. Also, many cats enjoy a gentle ear rub so they tend to look forward to 'medication time'.

To medicate your cat, dispense the prescribed amount **onto the finger cot** on your finger. Rub it in thoroughly, but not hard enough to cause discomfort. After you're through applying the medication, praise your pet and give it a treat. Remove the finger cot and wash your hands well.

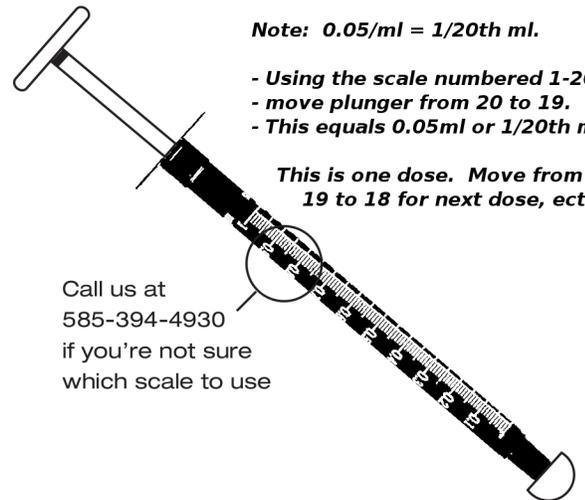
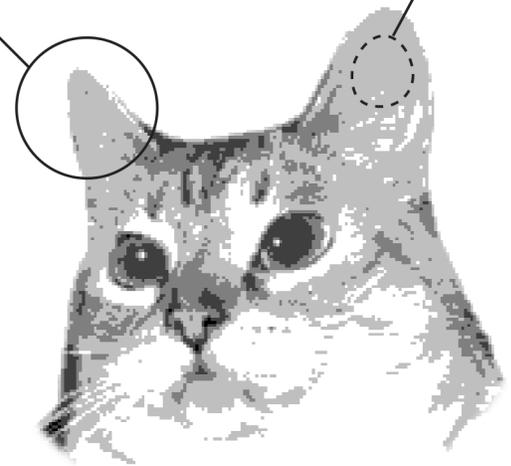
- Transdermal Medications are kept at room temperature (59°-86° F) **Do not store in refrigerator.**
- If your prescription separates or doesn't look right, call us at (585)-394-4930 and we'll replace it at no charge.
- Transdermal drugs are shipped Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. No shipments are made on Friday to avoid a two day delay in receiving your pet's medication. We ship via UPS. UPS guarantees next day arrival of all ground shipments within a 500-mile radius.
- Orders received by Noon are usually shipped the same day.

The Animal Pharmacy at The Pharmacy Shop is open Mon-Fri from 10 am to 6pm; Sat 10am to 1pm for pickup only.

This is the pinna.  
The gel is applied here.  
Take care not to get any gel in the ear canal.

The gel should be rubbed in. Don't use applicators such as Q-Tips® because the cotton swab will absorb the drug.

Target Area for medication



Note: 0.05/ml = 1/20th ml.

- Using the scale numbered 1-20,
- move plunger from 20 to 19.
- This equals 0.05ml or 1/20th ml.

This is one dose. Move from 19 to 18 for next dose, ect...

Call us at 585-394-4930 if you're not sure which scale to use

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