Feline Rhinotracheitis Q&A

Is my cat at risk for developing feline viral rhinotracheitis (FVR)?
Any cat in a multi-cat environment or in contact with other cats is at high risk for exposure to FVR. The virus is easily spread and very contagious.

People have diseases caused by herpesviruses. Can I contract the virus from my cat?
No. Human and feline herpesviruses are different; feline herpesvirus cannot infect humans and vice versa.

My cat was vaccinated. Can she still get the disease?
Many cats are exposed to the virus before their vaccination and contract the disease. Vaccination of kittens weaned from vaccinated queens is not always successful because maternal immunity may inhibit the vaccine response.

What will happen if I do not treat my cat for feline rhinotracheitis?
Most strong, healthy cats will recover from the disease, but young and weak cats may succumb to the infection. Complications after infection may include chronic nasal discharge and chronic eye problems, including loss of sight. The herpesvirus persists in the body and may cause periodic flare-ups for years.

Is FVR a chronic disease?
Herpesvirus infection may produce chronic disease or may remain dormant within the nerves for years. In 10 - 15% of cats, herpesvirus flares up periodically, leading to the recurrence of signs of the disease. The flare-ups are similar to our own “cold sores,” which are due to the infection caused by the human version of herpesvirus. The flare-ups may be caused by many kinds of stress, including the introduction of a new cat, boarding, moving, and others.

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What is Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis (FVR)?

Feline viral rhinotracheitis is a common upper respiratory disease in cats, caused by herpesvirus. Because FVR is very contagious, cats in multi-cat environments are at high risk of exposure to the virus and will likely develop the disease. FVR may be fatal to young or weak cats. Chronic nasal and ocular problems often occur after herpesvirus infection.

What are the signs of FVR?
- Sneezing
- Loss of appetite
- Runny nose
- Watery eyes
- Conjunctivitis and eye discharge
- Mouth breathing
- Lethargy
- Fever

Polyrenyl Immunostimulant (PI) helps cats feel better - faster!

Polyrenyl Immunostimulant (PI) is the first and only treatment approved by the USDA for the reduction of the severity and duration of signs of feline rhinotracheitis.

How does PI work?
PPI triggers the body's own defense systems against infection by stimulating cellular immunity, thus overcoming the suppression of the immunity caused by some viruses.

Is it safe for my cat?
PPI has been studied and given to hundreds of cats, and caused no adverse effects. It is a very safe product.

What is the recommended dosage for treatment of rhinotracheitis?
The suggested oral dose is 0.5 mg/kg twice daily for 15 days. However, your veterinarian may specify a different schedule for your cat. On average, a kitten will need 1-2 vials for the course of treatment.

How to order Polyrenyl Immunostimulant:
Veterinarians can order PI directly from VetIMMUNE. For details, please visit www.vetimmune.com or call us at (209) 600-7070.

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