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ENROFLOXACIN (Baytril)

Enrofloxacin is a fluoroquinolone antibiotic. This medication has been prescribed for your pet to treat a bacterial infection. It may be prescribed to treat urinary tract, skin or respiratory tract infections.

How do I give this medication?

- Give this medication to your pet as directed by your veterinarian. **READ THE LABEL CAREFULLY**.
- Give this medication on an empty stomach, unless otherwise directed by your veterinarian.
- Ensure there is water available for your pet to drink.
- **DO NOT** give the pet more medicine or more often than directed.
- Try not to miss giving any doses and give for the prescribed duration.
- Give this medication 1 hour before or 2 hours after any iron, dairy or calcium products, since these medications may inactivate the enrofloxacin.
- If you miss a dose give the medication as soon as possible. If it is almost time for the next dose skip the missed dose. Do not give the pet two doses at one time.

How do I store this medicine?

- Keep this medicine out of reach of children.
- Store this medication in a cool, dry place at room temperature. Store away from heat and direct sunlight. Do not store in the bathroom or near the kitchen sink.

What are the potential side effects?

- Enrofloxacin may cause vomiting and your pet may lose its appetite. If these symptoms persist and appear troublesome, contact your veterinarian.
- This medication should not be administered to young animals since it may damage cartilage.
- A dose greater than 5 mg/kg per day in cats may cause damage to the eyes. Notify your veterinarian immediately if your cat's pupils are dilated, since this may be an early indicator of toxicity. Other side effects may occur. If you notice anything unusual, contact your veterinarian.

Are there any possible drug interactions?

• The following drugs can potentially interact with enrofloxacin: antacids, sucralfate, nitrofurantoin, cyclsporine, theophylline, and probenecid.

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