Plumb's Drug Handouts

Capromorelin (Dogs)

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Key Information

- Capromorelin is used to increase appetite.
- May be given with or without food
- Shake the bottle gently before drawing up each dose. Rinse the syringe and let it dry between doses.
- Common side effects include diarrhea, vomiting, increased thirst, and increased urination.

Note: The purpose of this information sheet is to answer commonly asked questions. It does not contain all available information for this medication and is not a substitute for medical advice provided by your veterinary healthcare team.

Description	• Appetite stimulant • Available as a flavored liquid
Other common names	*Entyce*
Uses	FDA-approved uses in animals: • Increasing appetite in dogs At the discretion of your veterinarian, this medication may be used in different species or for other reasons (extra-label use).
Before this medication is given	No medication is 100% safe in all patients. Discuss with your veterinarian: • Any other medications or supplements your dog is taking • Any conditions or diseases your dog currently has or has had in the past • Any side effects your dog has had to medications in the past • The risks of using this medication if your dog is pregnant or nursing
Warnings for animals	Do **not** use in dogs: • That are allergic to this medication Use with **caution** in dogs: • With kidney, liver, or heart problems • That are severely dehydrated • With diabetes mellitus Certain medications are not allowed in some animal competitions. Check rules and regulations when your animal is taking a medication.
Warnings for humans	• Wash your hands after handling any medication.
How do I give this medication?	• Give with or without food. • Gently shake the bottle before drawing up each dose. • Measure the liquid using only the syringe provided with the medication. • Rinse the syringe and let it dry between doses. *Give exactly as your veterinarian has prescribed. Always follow the instructions on the prescription label.*
Side effects	**Common** – contact your veterinarian if any of these signs are severe, continue to occur, or worsen over time: • Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea • Gas or stomach gurgling • Drooling or excess saliva

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	• Lack of energy • Increased thirst. If this occurs, your dog may also urinate more frequently.
How will I know it's working?	• Your dog should start to show more interest in food in 1 to 2 hours. *Contact your veterinary clinic if your dog's signs worsen or do not improve.*
How long will the medication effects last?	• This medication will stop working within 24 hours of the last dose. • It may last longer if your dog has reduced kidney or liver function.
How long do I give it for?	This medication can be given for different lengths of time. Give it for as long as your veterinarian tells you. You may need to refill the prescription.
Overdose	Signs of an overdose include increased salivation and red, swollen paws. If you witness or suspect an overdose, call your veterinarian or an animal-specific poison control center (consultation fee applies): • **ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center**: (888) 426-4435 • **Pet Poison Helpline**: (855) 764-7661 *Have the product or label with you if possible.*
Missed dose	In most cases, if you miss a dose: • Give it when you remember, then return to the regular dosing schedule. If it is close to the time for the next dose: • Skip the missed dose. • Give the next dose at the next scheduled time. • Continue the regular dosing schedule. *If you are unsure, call your veterinary clinic. Do not double-up doses or give extra doses.*
Storage	• Store in the original container at room temperature. • Keep out of reach of children and animals.
Disposal	Do **not** flush this medication down the toilet or wash it down the sink. Options for disposing of unused or expired medications include: • Drug take back sites: This is preferred whenever possible. To find a site near you, contact your local law enforcement or waste management authorities. • Home disposal: Mix the medication in with coffee grounds or kitty litter, seal the mixture in a plastic bag, and throw it away in the trash. *Do **not** save leftover medication or give it to others to use.*
Questions?	Talk to your veterinarian.

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