

## ance and Medications

Recently published research found that only 48% of people took their own medications as prescribed. In veterinary medicine some estimates have been as low as 20% of animals receiving medicines as directed. This is understandable as frequently animals are none too cooperative!

With antibiotic medicines, not giving them as directed could help lead to antibiotic resistance. A new drug released in Australia promises to make compliance a whole lot easier. This new antibiotic for dogs and cats, a potent one particularly for those with skin or urinary tract infections, is given by simple and painless injection and lasts for weeks, removing the need for any follow up tablets.

Another medication that has made life easier for cats and their owners is Revolution. Control of parasites is always regarded as the number one health priority in cats, both from the cat's point of view and the owner's.

The misery and chronic ill health caused by fleas, lice and mites is obvious. The chronic disease caused by microscopic organisms they carry is less obvious. Recent research has revealed that fleas transmit the Bartonella organism responsible for cat scratch disease, along with the tapeworm parasite Dipylidium.

It is also believed now that Feline leukaemia virus may be flea transmitted as well. In many ways, flea burdens are like smoking in humans, major detrimental factors to good health and longevity. Internal parasites such as roundworm and hookworm infect cats as well.

The easy way to control these internal and external parasites in cats is by using Revolution, squeezed onto the back of the neck each month. It is a drug that is absorbed into the body within 2 hours, and immediately gets to work. Avoiding the tablet giving drama is less stressful for you and the cat.

Kind Regards,

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