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Personal Care for Pets

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Client Notes for Loca Swenson for 06/14/09: Loca's Weight: 69.8 Lbs

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Your (case-sensitive) password is: Swenson

Loca had a fever of 104.3 when she first came in this morning; the temperature has gone down to 103.8, which is better but still high.

Radiographs did not show signs of constipation or apparent GI obstruction. The lining appears thickened so likely some intestinal inflammation --- hence the orange soft stool. Her problem may be due to GI indiscretion --- from eating something that caused the orange stool. However, the fever is worrisome in that simple upset stomach does not usually cause fever. We will treat the fever symptomatically for now (fluids and antibiotics). Based on lab results, we may need to add on medication.

We gave her an antibiotic injection this morning, next Clavamox dose due tomorrow morning:
Rx: Clavamox 375 mg -- Give 1 tablet by mouth twice daily with food until finished..tnt
*** Discontinue if any vomiting or if soft stool gets worse.

We gave the metronidazole this morning, next dose due TONIGHT after 7 pm.
RX: Metronidazole 500 mg -- Give 1 tablet by mouth twice daily for 10 days as directed for GI problems..tnt

For the next 1-2 days, give her a bland diet of boiled rice and chicken (boneless and skinless) or rice and lowfat cottage cheese. If normal bowel movement, you can add back her regular dog food.

Please call or email us with an update tomorrow.
Call Dr. Tran at 562-234-0761.
Email us at staff@thefamilyvet.net

NOTE: Loca's knees are bad, especially her right knee. That would not cause the fever. We will wait until her GI issues resolve then add on Previcox if needed for her joints.