Fading Kitten Algorithm

Crashing Kitten

(Weak, dull, cold, seizing)

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Initial Assessment

History, weight, temperature

Kitten Temperatures
If > 4 weeks – 99.5-102.5F
If 2-3 weeks – 98-99F
If < 1 week – 95-98 F

Treatment Candidates

Not a Candidate for Treatment

Basic Resuscitation

1. Heat (heating disk, warm water in glove, blankets)

2. Increase blood sugar – place karo syrup or nutrical on gums; do not feed a full meal until temperature is back up to normal

3. Rehydrate – SQ Fluids – 10-15ml/lb; can warm syringe with hot water (like a baby bottle), do not microwave

These cats are not eligible for treatment

1. Respiratory distress (breathing very quickly or very labored), making large amounts of noise when they breathe

2. Signs of Other Disease (prolonged diarrhea, severe URI)

Response by EOD:
Great! Watch closely to make sure no other problems develop

No Response

Euthanasia

Relapse / Fades Again

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