# **Treating Your Cat or Dog**

## **Using Cefpodoxime**



## **About this medication**

Your cat or dog's bacterial infection is being treated with cefpodoxime (also called Simplicef®, Vantin®).



#### Giving this medication to your cat or dog

- Give as prescribed and follow the instructions provided by your pet's veterinarian.
- Give with food to reduce side effects.
- If you miss a dose, give the next dose as scheduled.

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### Side effects and drug interactions

- Side effects include upset stomach, lack of appetite, and nausea. Your cat or dog may vomit or have diarrhea.
- Allergic reactions are not common in cats and dogs.
- If you have any concerns, contact your pet's veterinarian.



## **Storing this medication**

Store tablets at room temperature in a cool, dry place away from heat or direct sunlight.



## **Using antibiotics safely**

Antibiotic resistance happens when germs develop the ability to defeat the drugs designed to kill them. This includes bacteria developing antibiotic resistance to prescribed medications. Using antibiotics safely minimizes the risk of bacteria developing resistance.

- Do not save any unused medications.
- Discard any unused or expired medication. You can find safe places to dispose of unneeded medication at <a href="https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/opioids/permanent-drug-drop-boxes.htm">www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/opioids/permanent-drug-drop-boxes.htm</a>.
- Visit <u>www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/antimicrobial-stewardship/patient-resources.htm</u> for more information on using antibiotics safely.



