

Affordable Colchicine

Many Chinese Shar-Pei suffer from Shar-Pei Fever. One drug that has been known to be of benefit for this is Colchicine. For many years the price of this drug was reasonable and affordable to the owners of the dogs that needed it. This same drug is used for people that have gout as well. Just recently the price of the drug has climbed to unreasonable prices. This new increase in price has caused the drug to be unaffordable to many dog owners that need it. The following is a plea for help with this issue. Dr. Vidt is a veterinarian and is one of the leading authorities on Chinese Shar-Pei.

As some of you may know the prices of Colchicine (due to the patent on the single ingredient Colchicine based drug Colcrys) have sky rocketed making it unaffordable for many in the US. Dr Vidt has appealed to the Pharmaceutical Company as well as the FDA's Center For Veterinary Medicine who have thus far not offered any solution and the URL Pharma has denied Pei access to their Patient Assistance Program thus far. Dr. Vidt's editorial on this can be found at this link:

<http://www.drjwv.com/es/>

Some of us have written to the email addresses he advises but so far no luck. I encourage all to write emails to these at the link above but also we are compiling signatures on a petition (link below) requesting affordable Colchicine access for Pei to the patient assistance program. Please everyone sign, cross-post, email this petition to friends for signatures, share on FB or whatever it takes to help folks continue to be able to provide this necessary medication to FSF Pei to help prevent death from Amyloidosis. If we cannot get this done many US pei may go without access to this essential medication due to the HUGE price increase in this bad economy. Please help, it is for the dogs.

<http://www.thepetitionsite.com/1/affordable-colchicine-for-chinese-shar-pei-dogs//>

Thank you,
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