



# FIP Stars

TURNING UNSURVIVABLE INTO SURVIVABLE



**Before**

Since January 2021, FieldHaven has been guiding cat parents and caregivers to treatment options for FIP (Feline Infectious Peritonitis) while providing emotional and logistical support.

The life-threatening illness has varied symptoms, is notoriously hard to diagnose, and strikes without warning. There is no vaccine, and until a short time ago, there was no treatment.

**It was 100% fatal, but now there's hope!**

A new treatment with a cure rate of roughly 80% was discovered by a veterinarian at UC Davis who has been researching the disease for 50 years.



**After**

**The goal of FIP Stars is to inform veterinarians and cat parents that there IS a cure for FIP.**

It's not easy. Not everyone will be able to make the financial and emotional commitment, but FieldHaven wants veterinarians and cat parents know there IS a choice.

FieldHaven can assist cat parents with knowledge and emotional support, and in some situations can even administer the treatment for them.

**FIP Stars are living proof that FIP doesn't have to be a death sentence anymore.**

FIP Stars is 100% funded by donations from cat-loving advocates and kind-hearted people who want to help others. Funds cover the cost of medications and care, supplies, and diagnostic tests during the nearly six-month duration of treatment. Donations are tax-deductible and truly give the gift of life.



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# FIP Stars Offers:



## Liason between the patient, their veterinarian and FIP Treatment Administrators:

This is essential to the treatment plan. FIP Treatment Administrators are the experts who stay up to date on the latest research on treatment options, including GS and other anti-virals, as well as support medications and treatment.



Fast-track to starting treatments: Thanks to a close connection to FIP Treatment Administrators we're able to establish a starting treatment plan much faster than going through the traditional request for help. We're often able to start treatment the same day we're notified of a potential FIP diagnosis. Starting treatment early is crucial to better outcomes. Days, even hours, matter.



Training for treatment administration: FIP is a daunting and frightening diagnosis for cat parents. They often have never heard of it. Being informed they need to administer a daily injection for at least three months is overwhelming. Our experienced staff will take as much time as needed to train parents how to do it, and, in some situations, we are available to do it for them.



Emotional and fundraising support: To be informed their cat will not survive without treatment and that it will cost thousands is overwhelming. Learning the treatment is not approved in the United States and that it comes from China leads to anxiety. We are here to answer every question and address fears. We lend our fundraising experience to show people how to raise money to cover the cost of the treatment.



A 24/7 personal chat: Parents have instant access to FIP Treatment Administrators and FIP Stars for questions, concerns and sharing progress photos. Each chat is specific to that parent and cat, and includes multiple FieldHaven staff FIP Treatment Administrators. All documentation, treatment plans and anything else we may need to know is included in the chat. Someone is always available!



Veterinarian support: We encourage every parent to have their own veterinarian actively be part of the treatment plan, providing periodic blood tests, diagnostics, medications and other services. However, if a parent doesn't have an established veterinarian or is in need of one throughout the treatment, FieldHaven can provide that service.

**Most of the above services are provided at no cost to the parent, only charging for those items that are a "hard cost" to FieldHaven, such as diagnostic tests.**

**Learn more about FIP Stars, see how many have been cured, and more:**



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# Referring A Patient:

## Have your staff or the cat parent contact the three members of FIP Stars:

- Joy Smith: Text/Call: 916-300-8166 Email: joy@fieldhaven.com
- Dallas Butterfield: Text: 925-584-0980
- Joy Cratty: Email: fip@fieldhaven.com

We recommend that all three are contacted simultaneously to ensure the fastest response.

## Provide the following information to the parent or have the veterinary staff send the information to the emails above.

- All medical documentation
- CBC, Chem panel
- Close up photos of the eyes of the cat
- 30 second video of the cat walking

This is the minimum information needed. A presumptive diagnosis of FIP can often be made with the above information. If other diagnostics are done (e.g., cytology of abdominal fluid) forward the results as soon as received but do not wait for the results before contacting FIP Stars.

Hi there, I'm **Mochi**. I was adopted from FieldHaven in October 2020. I was helping my mom during her treatment for cancer when I started feeling sick. I was the first one FieldHaven ever treated for FIP! My vets were also new to caring for FIP kittens. Everyone learned so much and I am so happy to be healthy!



**FIP Type:** Wet

**Diagnosed:** January 2021

**Treatment Completed:** March 2021

**Cured:** June 2021

March 2023 still going strong!

"I will be forever grateful to FieldHaven for rallying around us during such a difficult and devastating time. Knowing that there was a possible chance to save our boy was enough of a reason to embark on the journey toward a cure. We are grateful every day that Mochi beat FIP!" - **Joy C., Mochi's mom**