

How to Medicate a Cat

Chances are, that your cat won't like the idea of taking medication. Just remember it is in your pet's best interest to persevere.

1. Start by placing your cat on a flat, smooth surface, such as a countertop or washing machine. This will make it hard for your cat to get away or scratch you.



Figure 1

2. Place your thumb and fore finger on either side of the face as shown and gently pull the head back until the jaw falls open. See *Figure 1*

3. Place the pill in your cat's open mouth. Gently massage or rub your cat's throat until your pet swallows. See *Figure 1*

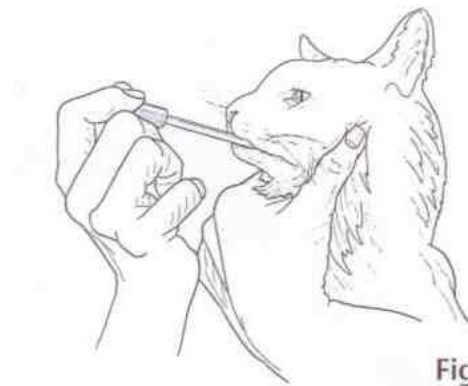


Figure 2

4. For liquid medication, follow the above procedure, but insert the dropper between the cheek and teeth and, while tilting the chin upward, slowly dispense the medication. See *Figure 2*

This technique works well with small and medium dogs as well.