Cyanocobalamin
(Vitamin B12)

**Common Drug Name**
Cyanocobalamin, Cobalamin, and Vitamin B12

**Common Brand Names**
Vita-jec B-12

Generic products are available.

**Storage**
Store at room temperature in a tight, light resistant, childproof container.

**Uses**
Cyanocobalamin is used to treat Vitamin B12 deficiencies and certain types of anemias in many species. It may also be used in animals with cobalt deficiencies, certain pancreatic diseases, or intestinal malabsorption problems.

**Dose and Administration**
Always follow the dosage instructions provided by your veterinarian. If you have difficulty giving the medication, contact your veterinarian.

The injectable form may be given subcutaneously (subQ, under the skin) or intramuscularly (IM, into the muscle). Always use a new sterile needle and syringe for each injection. When finished, place the needle and syringe in a puncture-resistant container. Follow your local regulations regarding disposal.

If you miss a dose, give it as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for the next dose, skip the one you missed and go back to the regular schedule. Do not give 2 doses at once.

This medication should only be given to the pet for whom it was prescribed.

**Possible Side Effects**
Rarely, there may be some discomfort at the site of injection.

**Precautions**
Not for use in animals hypersensitive (allergic) to any ingredients in the product.

Consult with your veterinarian regarding the physical examinations and laboratory testing necessary prior to and during treatment with cyanocobalamin.

**Drug, Food, and Test Interactions**
Consult your veterinarian before using cyanocobalamin with any other medications, including vitamins and supplements, since interactions may occur.

**Signs of Toxicity/Overdose**
Toxicity is very rare.

If you know or suspect your pet has had an overdose, or if you observe any unusual signs, contact your veterinarian immediately.

Keep this and all other medications out of the reach of children and pets.

This information may not cover all possible uses, directions, side effects, precautions, allergic reactions, drug interactions, or withdrawal times. Always consult your own veterinarian for specific advice concerning the treatment of your pet.