

1. What is LGG?

LGG stands for *Lactobacillus rhamnosus GG*. LGG is 'good bacteria' that can decrease how long diarrhea lasts.

LGG comes in a pill that can be swallowed whole or opened and mixed in something your child likes to eat or drink. LGG is usually given once a day for 7 days. However, LGG may help some even if less than 7 days are given.

2. Is LGG safe?

- LGG is safe for healthy children. No child given LGG in studies has had problems.
- LGG should not be given to children with milk allergy. (*LGG pills contain dairy*)
- LGG should not be given to children with a weakened immune system or children fed through a tube or central venous catheter (*for short-gut syndrome, cerebral palsy, etc.*). Children with these problems may be at risk for LGG blood infections.

3. How long will the diarrhea last?

NO Diarrhea stops
LGG in 5-7 days
for most children

YES Diarrhea stops
LGG 1 day sooner
for most children

4. What is the cost of giving LGG?

- There is no out-of-pocket cost for LGG pills given to your child at the hospital.
- Insurance plans do not pay for LGG pills that you give your child at home to finish a total of 7 days.
- How much will you pay for LGG?
 - Cincinnati Children's pharmacy sells 7 LGG pills for ~\$7.
 - Other pharmacies (*such as Walgreens, CVS, etc.*) sell LGG as a 30-pill pack for ~\$20.

5. Do you have any questions?

6. What do you want to do now?

- Do not give LGG
- Give LGG at hospital but not at home
- Give LGG at hospital & at home for a total of 7 days
- Not sure, prefer to decide later or need more help deciding