

# Rennie's Rose Red Poodles



## CARE OF TEACUPS AND TINY TOYS®



Teacups and Tiny Toys require additional care and maintenance. Their dietary needs require scrupulous attention. Their stomachs are unable to ingest enough food to maintain growth and normal activity. Therefore, they require frequent small meals. They have a predisposition to attacks of hypoglycemia during their growth period and up to 8 months of age.

An attack of hypoglycemia manifests itself as a lethargy and weakness. Proof positive is a test of placing them on all four legs; if they are unable to stand, they are having an attack. Prevention is always the first and best cure; so if you are in doubt, treat even the mild symptoms as a full-blown attack.

A first aid regimen at this point is to place a pea-sized drop of honey on the puppy's tongue (or Karo syrup). This should be repeated at 20-minute intervals until normal activity and behaviors resume. Once the puppy is stabilized, a meal should follow.

In order to prevent the onset of symptoms, a drop of honey first thing in the morning, and the last thing at night is required. During each day, a sweetened cereal, (Captain Crunch, Honey Nut Cheerios and the like) should be included with the puppy's free choice dry puppy food. Moist meals should be given as often as necessary (refer to the instruction sheet "*Your New Poodle Puppy*" and follow recipe provided). You may substitute, IAM'S Canned Lamb and Rice Dog Food.

A good emergency ration is baby food meat, any flavor (excellent for travelling). Another option is finely chopped well-cooked, skinned, uncoated chicken.

If you have any questions, or if you need advice on symptom recognition, please call us at (505) 832-0176.