

## Diarrhea Tree Descriptions

### Step 1.

- Mild Diarrhea: short-term episode with a few loose stools
- Severe Diarrhea: frequent, watery stools, often accompanied with other symptoms
- Chronic Diarrhea: prolonged loose stools lasting for weeks or longer

### Step 2.

- Fecal: tests for parasites and bacteria colonies
  - Positive result = parasites or too much bacteria
  - Negative result = no parasites and normal amount of bacteria
- Blood Tests: check for organ function
- Urine Tests: check for bacteria, and kidney function
- X-Rays: check for many different possibilities including obstructions in the abdomen or tumors

### Others

- Pancreas Test: check that pancreas is functioning properly
- Folate Test: check that absorption of small intestine is happening correctly
- Vitamin Test: check that the body is receiving all its needed nutrients
- Intestinal Biopsy: check the current status of the small intestine and make sure its healthy