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All children will be  
dewormed using  
albendazole  
chewable tablet

## What is albendazole?

Albendazole is a safe and beneficial chewable tablet that is used to treat intestinal worms that can cause anemia, weight loss, loss of appetite and nausea. Albendazole is safe for both children and adults.



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**W**hat are  
intestinal worms?

Intestinal worms are parasites that thrive on nutrition from human intestines, which results in anemia, poor nutritional intake, and impaired growth.

The three most common types of worms are:

- Round worm
- Whip worm
- Hook worm

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## How do worms spread?

**Let's  
Learn**



An infected child contaminates soil with feces containing worm eggs. These eggs develop into larvae in the soil



In an infected child, eggs and larvae develop into adult worms, which produce eggs and have an ill effect on the child's health



Other children are infected by eggs ingested through food or dirty hands, or by larvae penetrating the skin

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