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DYSBIOSIS

DEFINED.

Dysbiosis is the decrease in the number of favorable intestinal bacteria and subsequent increase in unfavorable organisms.

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS:

- · Foul smelling bowel gas
- Bloating
- Abdominal pain
- Alternating diarrhea and constipation

ETIOLOGY AND CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

- · Fungal overgrowth
- · Impaired digestion
- · Inadequate liver and gallbladder functioning
- · Low fiber diet
- · Decreased immune function
- Altered stool pH
- Poor food choices (e.g. lack of essential fatty acids; fried foods, processed foods)
- Food additives (e.g. dyes, MSG, nitrates)
- · Eating before going to bed

- · Not chewing thoroughly
- Tap water (e.g. fluoride, chlorine)
- Antibiotics (prescribed or added to foods or drug therapy)
- · High-protein diets
- · High refined sugar intake
- Stress
- Hypothyroidism
- · Intestinal parasites
- Food Intolerance

TREATMENT CONSIDERATIONS

First address the cause of the gut flora dysbiosis. Once this has been addressed, reseed the bowel with a probiotic. The two most important types of flora to set the stage for a healthy intestinal environment are *Lactobacillus acidophilus and Bifidobacterium bifidum*.

Lactic Acid Yeast Disruption of intestinal flora, an antibiotic therapy adjunct, flatulence (not foul), halitosis, toxemia, malassimilation disorder constipation

Prosynbiotic - Restores bowel flora, contains 2 prebiotic, 5 antibiotic resistive probiotics and health yeast.