

Why I'm here:
Debilitated and Floating

Patient : **Sendak**
Species : Loggerhead
Latin Name: *Caretta caretta*
Age : Sub-adult
Gender : Unknown
Weight : 86.2 lbs/39.1 kg
Found : Jacksonville
Beach, FL
Arrived : May 4, 2012
Rescued by : Florida Fish and



Exam Findings:

Underweight
Heavy barnacle and algae load
Lethargic
Floating
Dehydrated

Diagnostic Results:

Blood work: severe anemia,
low blood protein
X-rays: gastrointestinal gas
and some air in the body cavity



**TREATMENT
FOR:
SENDAK**

Cisapride-gut motility stimulation
Metronidazole-antibiotic
for anaerobic bacteria
Iron supplements
Amikacin-antibiotic for aerobic bacteria
Aspiration of air from coelomic cavity
Shell cleaning, bone cement
with antibiotics

PRESCRIBED: DR. NORTON, DVM

Update:

Sendak is no longer floating. Both the
GI gas and air in the body cavity have
resolved. Eating very well!

Current Weight:

888 LBS

