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WISCONSIN HORSES AFFECTED BY FATAL MOSQUITO- BORNE DISEASES

There are 2 main mosquito-borne diseases that pose a threat to horses in Wisconsin. The first is Eastern Equine Encephalomyelitis (EEE), which is a virus that attacks the nervous system. It can cause fever, loss of vision, staggering gait, and paralysis. Usually it is fatal despite aggressive treatments.

The other disease is caused by West Nile Virus (WN), which also causes neurological signs including depression, loss of appetite, hind-limb weakness, muscle spasm, in-coordination, or aimless wandering. In horses that develop West Nile, the treatment is very expensive, permanent damage is likely, and survival is rare.

In Wisconsin, there have been 41 confirmed cases of Eastern Equine Encephalomyelitis from August 2016 to October 2017 and 29 confirmed cases of West Nile Virus from August 2016 to November 2017. All cases were unvaccinated horses.⁽¹⁾

Vaccinations for these diseases has been shown to be extremely effective — the Vetera Gold product we use is tested at over 99%. This is a combination shot that also includes Western Equine Encephalitis (WEE), Tetanus, Rhinopneumonitis (EHV-1,4), and the newest strains of Equine Influenza Virus (EIV or 'flu'). Vetera brand also uses exclusive ULTRAFIL purification that removes extraneous proteins that may contribute to injection site reactions.

1) *Equine Disease Communication Center, all unvaccinated horses.*

IRAP THERAPY NOW AVAILABLE

We are excited to announce we are now able to offer our clients a new therapy called IRAP to treat certain joint, tendon, and ligament conditions. Interleukin -1 Receptor Antagonist Protein (IRAP) is an anti-inflammatory protein found in blood.

Blood is collected from an individual horse and purified into IRAP for injection into that same horse's joints or other area treatment is indicated to decrease inflammation and promote healing. IRAP offers an alternative to traditional steroid joint injections and adds another tool in treating joint disease.

SAND COLIC IS LIFE-LONG CONCERN

Even though the ground is frozen, horses are still at risk to suffer colic from sand build-up. We encourage horse owners in our area to continue their horses' sand colic prevention program through the winter to 'catch up' on what they might have ingested over the warmer months.

Once we know a horse does ingest sand, management is a life-long concern. The typical protocol is to feed a psyllium product like Sand Clear or Equus pellets (a palatable licorice flavored pellet) for 7 days in a row every month for life. Other recommendations may be made by a veterinarian for different circumstances. Changes may be needed to the location of feeding, feeder style, and ground surface where fed in addition to feeding psyllium.

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January & February 2018 Discount Specials

CORE VACCINE SPECIAL

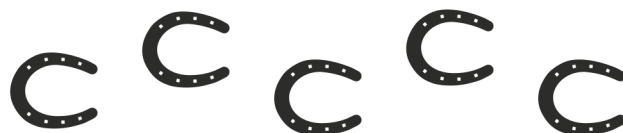
Horse must get both the Rabies and 6-way for discount.
6-way protects against Tetanus, Eastern & Western Encephalomyelitis (EEE & WEE), West Nile (WN), Influenza (EIV), & Rhinopneumonitis (EHV-1,4)

- 15%-off Core / 6-way & Rabies
- 15%-off Additional vaccines (i.e. Strangles, Lyme)
- 15%-off Coggins Test
- 15%-off Farm Call or a FREE OFFICE VISIT

12+ YEAR-OLD SCREEN PACKAGE

- ACTH baseline (Cushings Test)
- Blood Chemistry Profile (kidney/liver/etc)
- Insulin Test* (IR / Metabolic Syndrome Test)
*should fast for 8 hours

Save 15%-off individual pricing with package deal.



CALL US AT (715) 342-1212 TO SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT

*Discounted prices for these services scheduled for the months of January and February.
Payment in full required at time of service.*

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