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Equine Vaccination Guidelines

- ❖ Please note that these are guidelines only and that specific vaccination programs may be designed based on your individual farm's risk assessment by our veterinarians.

Annual vaccinations recommended for all horses (usually given in the spring):

- **Rabies**
- **Eastern equine encephalitis, Western equine encephalitis, Tetanus & West Nile encephalitis** (all given as one combo vaccine = EWT+WN) *A booster may need to be given every 6 months if there is a high prevalence in our area. Initial series in adult is 2 boosters.
- **Potomac horse fever (PHF)** Initial series in adults is 2 boosters.

Horses that leave the property or are exposed to other horses that leave the property.

- **Influenza/Rhino virus** (initial series of 2 boosters, then given bi-annually in spring & fall)
- **Strep.equi (strangles) intranasal** (initial series of 2 boosters, then annual vaccination)

Foals – (mare is currently vaccinated)

- **Rabies** (1st vaccination given at 6 months of age, then 2nd dose 4-6 weeks after 1st)
- **EWT/WN** (1st vaccination at about 4-6 months of age, 2nd dose 4-6 weeks after 1st, then 3rd dose at 10-12 months of age)
- **PHF** (1st vaccination at about 5 months of age, booster in 3-4 weeks)
- **Flu/Rhino** (1st dose at 6 months of age, 2nd dose 3-4 weeks after 1st, then 3rd dose at 10-12 months of age)
- **Strangles** (1st dose at 6-9 months of age, 2nd dose 3-4 weeks after 1st, then 3rd dose at 11-12 months of age)

***Foals** (Unvaccinated mare)

- **Rabies** (1st dose at 3-4 months, then annual)
- **EWT/WN** (1st dose at 1-4 months of age, 2nd dose 4 weeks after 1st, then 3rd dose 4 weeks after 2nd)
- **PHF & Flu/Rhino & Strangles** (see above schedule for foals from vaccinated mares)

Pregnant Mares

- **All annual vaccinations should be given prior to breeding**
- **Rhinopneumonitis booster** (given at 5, 7 & 9 months of pregnancy)
- **Booster all annual vaccines: EWT/WN, Rabies, Flu (k), PHF, Strep (k)** (4-6 weeks pre-partum)