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Veterinary-guided health care can increase your horse's chances for a long and healthy life. UTCVM's **Equine Wellness 365** program provides your horse's basic veterinary and preventative health care needs and provides a colic protection plan in the event that your horse requires surgery for an intestinal or abdominal colic. Regular visits with a veterinarian help prevent problems and can help detect a minor condition before it becomes a complicated and more expensive issue. If your horse needs colic surgery while you are enrolled in Equine Wellness 365, UTCVM will cover up to \$5,000 of the cost of treatment at our Equine Hospital.

This comprehensive program includes all of the components for your horse's overall wellbeing: a yearly physical exam, vaccinations*, parasite evaluation, and dental care along with expert advice on good nutrition and exercise. You can either bring your horse to our Equine Hospital, or have our Field Service veterinarians come to your farm. Please note that farm call fees are not included in the enrollment fee.

**Additional vaccinations may be recommended, but are not included in this program.*



EQUINE WELLNESS 365 REQUIREMENTS:

- Enrollment and coverage begins at the time of physical examination and runs for 365 days from that time.
- The Equine Wellness 365 introductory enrollment fee (\$375 for 2017) covers all of the program benefits outlined in the components section. Farm trip fees are not included. Additional services, office calls, optional vaccines or other needs are billed out at regular client rates.
- Clients must remain in good financial standing with UTCVM to enroll and be maintained in the program.
- Horse must be older than 1 year to participate in the program.
- Horse cannot have had abdominal surgery within one year of enrollment.
- If your horse has never been vaccinated, it will require an initial series of vaccinations with boosters 3-6 weeks later. The booster vaccinations and associated costs are not included in this program.
- Plan fee must be paid in full at time of enrollment. No refunds or substitutions.

PROGRAM COMPONENTS:

- **Physical Exam:** A comprehensive examination of your horse's body condition and health will be performed at the time of enrollment including careful examination of the eyes, heart, lungs, abdomen, feet and legs, skin and other areas as deemed necessary. Guidance on proper nutrition and deworming will be provided as needed.
- **Oral Exam & Dental Float:** Sedation is required for a proper and safe oral exam. A mouth speculum allows examination of all aspects of the mouth. After the oral exam is complete a dental float will be performed, if necessary. More complex dental conditions may need to be addressed during a separate appointment.
- **Fecal Float:** Screening test of the horse's manure for evidence of internal parasites. This will guide selection and timing for administration of dewormer medication.
- **Fecal Egg Count (FEC):** This is a test that helps to determine the amount of parasite eggs that a horse is shedding onto the pasture. Also helps determine the annual deworming protocol to assist in decreasing pasture contamination and identify any resistance to dewormers.
- **Coggins Testing:** A blood test that detects antibodies to the fatal disease Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA). This test is required by law for horses that travel.
- **Core Vaccinations:**
 - » **E, W (Eastern and Western Encephalitis):** Protection against the often fatal viral diseases, transmitted by mosquitoes, that can cause inflammation in the nervous system in horses and humans, but is not transmissible between the two.
 - » **WNV (West Nile Virus):** Protection against the sometimes fatal viral disease, transmitted by mosquitoes, that causes inflammation in the nervous system in horses and humans.
 - » **T (Tetanus):** Protection against the bacterial infection known as lockjaw, resulting from an open wound, that can cause paralysis, loss of muscle control, and nervous system failures that can lead to death.
 - » **Rabies:** Protection against fatal viral disease. There is not a treatment for rabies in animals, and it is a human health hazard causing death.
- **Optional Vaccinations (not included in program) based on risk and exposure:**
 - » **PHF (Potomac Horse Fever):** Bacteria can cause colic, fatal diarrhea syndrome as well as laminitis
 - » **Equine Influenza:** Virus signs include high fever, swollen lymph nodes, and dry cough
 - » **Rhinopneumonitis (Equine Herpes-1):** Virus is highly contagious causing fever, nasal discharge, and cough
 - » **Strangles:** Bacteria is highly contagious with rapid spreading from nasal discharges and pus from abscesses

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