Wondering about the Health Care Plan?

So are you on our Health Care Plan (HCP), and don't know what is really covered? Are you thinking about starting our HCP, but are unsure of what really happens? Let us give you some insight. The HCP is a package of services offered at a reduced rate, because you pay for the entire year at the first appointment. For those of you lucky owners that do not have accident or colic prone horses, that is all you would pay us for the year. These are all of the vaccines and services that are included:

Vaccinations

Deworming

At each quarterly visit

4 Influenza/Rhinopneumonitis
2 Eastern & Western Encephalitis
2 West Nile Virus
1 Rabies
1 Potomac Horse Fever
2 Tetanus

Coggins Test Yearly, at a scheduled visit

Dentistry Additional, Flat Rate Fee of \$130

These services are broken up into four visits. We call to remind you that the visits are due; however it is your responsibility to schedule the appointment. There is no farm call for these four visits, if you need any other visits you pay the farm call and normal fees for any other services. HCP's are transferable, **but not refundable** and can be started at vaccine visit.

Health Care Plan Special Offer

Thinking of signing up for the Health Care Plan? Would you like to get your 2011 plan for a reduced price? Then it is your lucky day! We are again offering the *prepaid* HCP price at \$295, which is a savings of \$40 from the regular price of \$335. This is a back by popular demand Christmas in July Special for those of you who requested it since finances can be tight when the real Christmas is approaching. The \$295 is paid by July 31, 2011 and can be used anytime thereafter. All the normal services are included; the price break is the only difference! If you have any questions please feel free to call the office at 321-639-4242.



Hurricane Preparedness

Head for the hills! When hurricane winds blow along the eastern shores of the United States, horse owners must decide whether to "shelter in place" or load horses, gear, and pretty much everything but the kitchen sink, and head inland, away from the greatest storm danger.

If you plan to evacuate with your horse, there are web sites and contacts to help you. If at all possible, making these contacts well in advance of the emergency will make the trip much easier. Leave early in a voluntary evacuation period. If you wait too late, you may be stuck in traffic or not allowed on the road once winds reach a certain velocity. If you must make a last-minute search for shelter/stabling, consider some of the following as you make calls and prepare to move out:

- Have proof of ownership and individual identification of your horse, like microchips
- Be sure to describe your horse (stallion, mare, young unbroken, mare with foal) in terms that make special needs clear.
- If pasture/paddock with other horses, realize additional risk of injury in turning horses in with new "buddies".
- Ask about health status: Know what vaccines/worming your horse has received in relation to the general status of horses being accepted at the stable. There is always some risk in commingling horses. Having your horse current on vaccination, especially Tetanus, EEE, WNV, Rabies and Flu/Rhino may protect in case of exposure to these diseases.

• Carry or locate source for feed and hay of type your horse is accustomed to. A frequent question that arises in evacuation is: "Do I have to have Health Certificates and Coggins tests with me when I evacuate?" The State Veterinarians in the southeastern states have managed in some cases to waive certain health record requirements in emergency. It is highly recommended that you carry with you, in addition to your best proof of ownership proper health papers, at a minimum, your Coggins Test record. If you are unable to obtain these, you may be restricted from crossing state lines or staying in certain facilities. We are capable of providing you with a 6 month health certificate extension that would be accepted for the entire hurricane season. In general, all efforts are made to find some accommodation for emergency movement. During the (endless) 2004 hurricane season, several southern states and Florida agreed to allow emergency movement of horses out of Florida, with certain checks at the border, and agreement to return home within a certain number of days after the evacuation was lifted.

Below are contacts and web sites. Please make the best use of the information provided, and remember to deal with state officials and stable owners with courtesy. They are doing a lot to make your evacuation safe and your horse's sheltering appropriate. In most cases, the State Veterinarian's Office can assist or direct to appropriate contact.

www.doacs.state.fl.us/ai/. www.floridahorse.com

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