

Annual Health Care

Great Lakes Equine recommends:

Vaccinations:

See Great Lakes Equine complete vaccination schedule.

NOTE: 1) Vaccinations will need to be boosted when given to a horse that has not had that vaccine before. 2) This schedule can vary depending upon your horse's exposure rate and local disease prevalence. Please discuss the vaccine schedule with us to ensure we have set up the best protocol for your horse.

Deworming:

All horses require some form of dewormer administration to combat internal parasites. The schedule of administration will vary dependent upon your horse, their personal parasite load and where they live or who they live with. Please see our deworming sheet.

Dentistry:

Horses need to have their teeth/mouth examined just the same as people. Sedated speculum-

assisted oral examination should be performed once to twice a year. At that time, any sharp enamel points can be removed (float). Early detection of dental disease is important not only to your horse's health, but their performance as well.

Sheath Cleaning:

Male horses should have their sheaths cleaned at least one a year. The debris (smegma) which builds up in and around the sheath and penis has been linked to development of Squamous Cell Carcinoma (cancer). Prevention and early detection of SCC can lead to quick treatment and a healthy outcome for your horse.

Physical Examination:

Since your horse can not tell you how they feel, and they will often hide ailments, we strongly recommend your veterinarian perform an early physical examination to detect possible sub-clinical abnormalities before

they become a problem and affect their performance.

Coggins Test:

By law, a negative Coggins test is required for any horse that enters the state, is sold or transferred or participates in organized events (i.e. shows, fairs, parades, trail rides) within the current calendar year.

Great Lakes Equine recommends, at minimum, annual appointments ensure your horse's health.

