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## **Protocol For Vaccinating and Deworming Foals**

## **Vaccinations:**

A 3 dose vaccination series is needed.

- 1. At 4-6 months of age foal receives first vaccination with Prestige 5+ WNV
- 2. Booster 4-6 weeks later with Prestige V+WNV and Give Equirab
- **3.** Third dose given at 10-12 months, in the Spring of Yearling year. Booster with Prestige V+WNV and Equirab or Core Eq and Fluvac
  - \*Spring vaccinations are dependent on environmental and risk-based factors.

## **Deworming:**

- 1. Start at 60 days of age: Give Panacur at 10 mg/kg dose per weight. (most foals will get a ½ tube)
- 2. At 120 days of age: Give Panacur at 10 mg/kg dose per weight. (most foals will get 1 tube)
- **3.** At 180 days of age: Give label dose per weight of Zimecterin Gold or Equimax if there has been a hard freeze, if not give Panacur at 10mg/kg dose. (most foals will get 1.5 tubes of panacur)
- **4.** At 240 days of age: Give label dose per weight of Ivermectin.

\*PANACUR: Foals need a higher dose because they are more susceptible to ascarids. The box and tube label state the dosing instructions for both 10 mg/kg and 5 mg dose but the tube dial is the 5 mg dose. 1 tube will deworm a 550-pound horse at 10 mg/kg dose.



\*Panacur Powerpac is a different product, it is formulated at a 10mg/kg dose.

**Weight tapes** are available at our office, but a good rule of thumb is the average sized horse foal will weigh around 100 pounds x age in months, 2 months would be around 200 pounds, 6 months 600 pounds.

Each foal is a unique individual, if you have questions about our recommendations, please call our office or speak to your veterinarian.