

Gastroscopy Clinic Information

1st Tuesday of each month

Assigned Date & Time: _____

Location: Edelson Equine Associates
2001 Sonora Lane, Manheim, PA 17545

Prior to Arrival:

- Please fill out the patient information form provided by the office and bring it with you to the clinic.
- Please review the following information and contact the office at 717.665.7626 if you have any questions or concerns.

Horse Preparation for Gastroscopy:

- **Remove ALL food (hay, grain, pasture) 12 hours prior to exam. Remove water 6 hours prior to exam.**
- Do not provide food (including hay) in the trailer prior to exam.
- Monitor horse for consumption of bedding (especially straw or shavings) during the fasting period. Remove bedding or muzzle if necessary. Muzzles are available from the clinic. Please call the office for more information.

Arrival for Gastroscopy:

- You will be assigned an examination time. Please arrive 30 minutes prior to your examination time. Holding stalls will be available throughout the day. If you wish to haul in the night before, please call the office to arrange accommodations.
- Upon arrival at the clinic, please stop and unload horse at the upper barn. (This is the first barn located to the right off the driveway in the center of the training track). Clinic staff will be there to assist in unloading and direct you to the appropriate stall.

During the Exam:

- The exam will take approximately 1 hour.
- Prior to the exam, your horse will be given mild sedation. Experienced personnel will be on hand to care for your horse during the entire process.
- During the exam, the endoscope will be introduced into the nose and passed in the stomach much like a nasogastric tube. The interior of the stomach will be viewed on a video monitor. The veterinarian will explain relevant anatomy and exam findings. If necessary, treatment recommendations will be made at that time.

After the Exam:

- After the gastroscopy, your horse will be monitored until he/she completely recovers from sedation.
- Once awake, your horse will be offered water and a small meal before transport home.
- Your horse may receive half of his hay and/or grain ration following the exam and return to a full ration the following day.