

# Equine Health Schedules

## Recommended Healthcare for Horses

At Walker County Veterinary Center, we care about your horses and want to help keep them healthy and protected from dangerous and contagious diseases. Core vaccinations protect against diseases that are endemic to a region, are virulent/highly contagious, pose a risk of severe disease, those having potential public health significance, and/or are required by law. Core vaccines have clearly demonstrable efficacy and safety, with a high enough level of patient benefit and low enough level of risk to justify their use in all horses. We also offer specific vaccines that your horse may benefit from depending on the environment and lifestyle they live. ALL vaccination programs should be developed in consultation with a licensed veterinarian.

### ADULT HORSES:

| Vaccine         | Schedule    | Notes                                   |
|-----------------|-------------|---|
| Rabies          | Annual      |   |
| VEWT            | Annual      | Ideally given in spring, prior to onset |
| West Nile Virus | Semi-Annual | Ideally given in spring, prior to onset |
| Flu/Rhino       | Semi-Annual |   |
| Strangles       | Annual      |   |

### FOALS:

| Vaccine         | Schedule   |
|-----------------|--|
| Rabies          | First vaccine at 4 month<br>Second vaccine at 5 months   |
| VEWT            | First vaccine at 4 month<br>Second vaccine at 5 months   |
| West Nile Virus | First vaccine at 4 month<br>Second vaccine at 5 months   |
| Flu/Rhino       | First vaccine at 4 month<br>Second vaccine at 5 months   |
| Strangles       | First vaccine at 9 months<br>Second vaccine at 10 months |

- Oral Exam/Dental Float recommended annually
- EIA (Coggins) test should be performed once/year
- Fecal test is recommended annually for parasites
- Consult with a veterinarian for a parasite control program tailored to your horse



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*\* Vaccine guidelines adapted from AAEP Guidelines, <https://aaep.org/guidelines/vaccination-guidelines>*