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EQUINE INFLUENZA

CHIEF VETERINARY OFFICER COMMUNICATION # 9

URGENT FOR ALL VETERINARIANS

Revised Anemis 2/3 form and Suspect Equine Influenza Cases in the Purple Zone

Revised Anemis 2/3 form

The Anemis 2/3 form has been revised. The new form is available on the NSW DPI external web site under the section entitled [Equine Influenza Information for Vets](#). Please ensure that you destroy all unused copies of the outdated form and replace them with copies of the new form.

Suspect Equine Influenza Cases in the Purple Zone

People with horses in the purple zone are now being advised to phone their local veterinarian (rather than the LDCC) if their horse develops clinical signs consistent with Equine Influenza.

The LDCC has requested private veterinarians to take a full telephone history and complete both the Anemis 1 form and the Anemis 2/3 form (as revised on 20.10.2007). The completed forms must be faxed to the LDCC on 02 4640 6542.

It is essential that a full history is recorded. Particular attention should be paid to:

- Has any person who lives on the property, works on the property or visited the property had contact with other horses e.g. a racetrack, stables, riding school etc?
- Have any horse transport vehicles, or feed supply vehicles visited, or been moved onto the property?
- Has any equipment been in contact with horses at another property?
- Have any horses on the property been previously tested?

Veterinarians will be paid for their services at the previously agreed rate by the NSW Department of Primary Industries. Payment is dependent on the LDCC receiving the above, completed, paper work.

Veterinary Investigation at the LDCC will evaluate the case on the information in the completed forms. If the suspect property is greater than 10km from a known IP they may task a vet to sample the suspect animals.

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