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Raising the Quality  
of Veterinary Care  
for Your Horse

Dear clients:

At Finger Lakes Equine, we are inspired by horses and their connection with their human partners and want to exceed your expectations in diagnostics, communications and care of your animal.

How often have you saddled up, begun a ride and felt that your mount was just a bit “off” behind, applied the curry comb only to feel a lump you never noticed before, or entered the barn and heard an unusual cough? We all naturally give these and many other concerns a few days to see what develops... but then what? The lump is the same, the cough is unchanged and the lameness still persists. Perhaps it is nothing dramatic but just worrisome.

Options:

- 1) Wait and hope
- 2) Consult with the folks at the barn, commiserate and hope
- 3) Blindly give expensive medications found at barn or tack store , cross fingers and hope
- 4) Consult with Other folks that Really Know at the barn...more commiseration and more hoping
- 4) Check with Dr Google, become alarmed
- 5) Contact FLEP for sound veterinary advice....send photos and videos.... You describe the situation as best you can but there really isn't much to tell and on the veterinary side of the phone there is often not enough information for accurate diagnosis and treatment plan formulation.
- 6) Request an appointment with FLEP

What next.....? In most cases, a direct physical exam is required to provide the best possible treatment of the problem.

To help us stay directly connected to our patients we have developed the **FLEP ADVANTAGE PLAN**. We have bundled together the services that we feel constitute the core annual medical needs for every equine.

### **FLEP ADVANTAGE PLAN**

- A complete physical exam to include:
  - ophthalmic system
  - cardiovascular system
  - respiratory system
  - gastrointestinal auscultation
  - complete dermatologic exam
  - thorough musculoskeletal palpation
  - limb evaluation both stationary and moving

- A nutritional consult, body condition scoring and tape estimation of weight
- 2 or more quantitative fecal parasite exams and de-worming recommendations based on those results
- Annual dental evaluation and power float under sedation
- Core Vaccinations
  - EEE/WEE/Tetanus/West Nile Virus
  - Rabies

The advantage to you is that **we waive all basic call charges for that horse while you are on the program.** So, if we visit to check that lump, cough or lameness you owe only for the services we perform. **(That's right! No farm call fee on scheduled appointments!)** If you have a midnight emergency or if something must be seen today on an urgent care basis, the urgent care and emergency surcharges will apply, but not the basic call charge.

We believe this is a great program for all our patients-

- young horses traveling frequently often require many visits during the year for health certificates and additional vaccines
- older horses- the physical exams often reveal things not noticed previously and allow us to record and manage these changes over time

The benefit is having the peace of mind that results from having a problem evaluated promptly and professionally, rather than delaying and worrying.

As an added incentive, horses enrolled in the FLEP ADVANTAGE PLAN will receive \$500 toward a surgical colic should the need arise.

Enrollment is limited and we offer discounts if you sign up multiple horses on the program so please call us for pricing and with any questions or to enroll today. Clients are responsible for requesting appointments during the plan.

Thank you for partnering with us for the care of your horse,

The Finger Lakes Equine Team