

Equine Rhinitis Viruses



What are equine rhinitis viruses?

- Equine rhinitis viruses A and B (ERAV and ERBV) are highly prevalent in the horse population worldwide.
- They can cause clinical disease that is indistinguishable from other respiratory pathogens such as equine influenza.
- Most horses recovery fully, but some may be more susceptible to secondary infections.

What you can do to keep your horse healthy:

- A vaccine is available in the United States for ERAV.
- Good biosecurity protocols and hygiene practices, including quarantining of new horses, disinfecting shared equipment, and ensuring proper hand washing, are important preventative measures.

Signs

Non-specific
Nasal discharge
Ocular discharge
Fever
Enlarged lymph nodes
Dry cough

Transmission

Direct contact with
aerosolized droplets or
contaminated objects

Treatment

Supportive care

**If your horse needs medical care, contact the Large Animal Clinic at (530) 752-1393.*



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