Salmonellosis

What is Salmonellosis?
• A disease that causes diarrhea in horses and humans.
• Associated with the bacteria *Salmonella enterica*.
• Clinical signs in foals are more serious than in adult horses.
• Stress appears to play an important role in the progression of the disease.
• Some horses do not show clinical signs but can transmit the bacteria.

What you can do to keep your horse healthy:
• Healthy horses are at lower risk of becoming sick, so it is important to practice good horse care and management.
• Have a biosecurity plan. Do not allow horses to eat off the ground at shows and events and be sure to disinfect shoes and equipment.
• Isolate new horses to the premises for at least 3 weeks to ensure they are healthy before allowing them to interact with the resident population.

**Signs**
- Diarrhea
- Lethargy
- Fever
- Anorexia
- Colic

**Transmission**
- Ingestion of contaminated feed or water
- Contact with contaminated objects

**Treatment**
- Supportive care

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

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