

SOUTH MOUNTAIN EQUINE  
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# Preventative Health Care Program 2022

**Option 1-** for horses with minimal exposure to other horses and provides basic quality care

Visit 1 (*Recommended March-April*)

- Wellness Exam/Nutrition Consult
- EWT/WNV
- PHF
- Rabies
- Fecal Egg Count
- CBC + Chemistry Blood Work
- Sedated Oral Exam w/motorized dentistry
- Sheath/Udder Cleaning

*Owner to drop off Fecal in July and October/Nov*

**Total Regular Price: \$661**

**Discount: 12%**

**TOTAL WITH PLAN: \$581**

OR

**Option 2-** For the Traveling Athlete

Visit 1 (March/April)

- Wellness Exam/  
Nutrition Consult
- EWT/WNV
- Flu/Rhino
- PHF
- Coggins
- Fecal Egg Count
- CBC + Chemistry Blood  
work

Visit 2 (August/  
September)

- Wellness Exam
- Sedated oral exam with  
motorized dentistry
- Sheath/udder cleaning
- EWT
- PHF
- Rabies
- Flu/Rhino

*Owner to drop off Fecal in July and October/Nov*

**Total Regular Price: \$979**

**Discount: 14%**

**TOTAL WITH PLAN: \$842**

## Sport Horse Add On

For equines in heavy work or competition.  
Only available w/ Opt1 or Opt 2

- Balance Films
- 6 Chiro+Acu Visits

**Total Regular Price: \$1565**

**Discount: 17%**

**TOTAL WITH PLAN: \$1299**

## Geriatric Horse Add On

For any horse showing symptoms of EMS  
or over the age of 15

- ACTH (Cushings)
- Insulin, Glucose
- Leptin and T4

**Total Regular Price: \$260**

**Discount: 15%**

**TOTAL WITH PLAN: \$221**

### **Provided to ALL PHC Participants:**

- Coggins are digital and accessible through Global Vet Link at [www.myvetlink.com](http://www.myvetlink.com).
- Discount (10%)** on additional Chiropractic and Acupuncture treatments.
- Discount (10%)** on Laser Therapy treatments.
- Discount (10%)** on Shockwave Therapy.
- Ideally chiropractic/acupuncture will not be performed on the same day as a dental.
- Any additional FEC will be \$10.
- Discounted microchip** implantation (\$30) with a USEF compliant 9 digit universal microchip.
- Discount (10%)** on all additional blood work.
- **Discount (10%)** on any additional vaccines (i.e. IN Strangles, Botulism, Lyme (canine), Leptospirosis).
- **Discount (10%)** on hay analysis.
- **Discount (10%)** on survey radiographs (Hocks, Hooves, Back or neck).
- No substitutions.
- **Discount \$15** on additional Opt1/Opt2 packages purchased.
- Any addition visits will be invoiced for a Trip Fee. There is one Trip Fee included with Option 1 (even if multiple horses are seen) and two trip fees included with Option 2. No exceptions.**

### **Definitions:**

**Wellness Exam:** A physical exam is one of a veterinarian's most valuable diagnostic tools. A physical exam includes TPR (temperature, heart rate, and respiratory rate). Your veterinarian will also auscultate (listen to with a stethoscope) your horses heart, lungs, and gastrointestinal tract. Auscultation of these organs can identify abnormalities that may require further investigation. A basic ophthalmic exam is also performed to detect any significant abnormalities and/or age-related changes. The body condition of your horse will also be assessed and a weight tape will be used to estimate their weight.

**Fecal Egg Count (FEC):** Due to parasitic resistance, our approach to deworming is now based on fecal egg counts. This allows us to determine an individual horse's parasite burden and develop a deworming program specifically based on that horse's needs. This will allow you to deworm as needed rather than based on a rotational calendar.

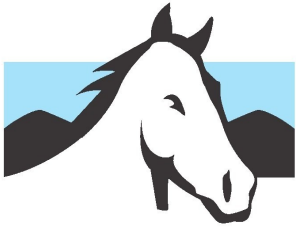
**Chemistry:** Protein, electrolytes, kidney enzymes, liver enzymes. **CBC:** White blood cells, red blood cells, platelets.

A yearly CBC and chemistry profile are included in Option 1 and Option 2. This routine blood work is another tool in monitoring your horse's overall health status. The CBC is used to identify any signs of anemia, infection, or inflammatory disease. The chemistry profile is an indicator of organ function by measuring enzymes and electrolytes in the blood and comparing them to a standardized range.

**Oral Examination and Dental:** Routine dental care is another important aspect of your horse's overall health care plan. A thorough oral exam will be performed under standing sedation with an oral speculum. Examination also includes the use of a mirror, dental pick and oral endoscope. If deemed necessary, motorized dentistry will be performed to remove any sharp enamel points which have developed and correct any mild abnormalities including hooks, ramps, or wave mouth. A thorough oral exam also allows us to identify more advanced conditions such as a loose or fractured tooth, or periodontal disease. Treatments for these types of conditions are not covered under the PHC Program and are an additional charge. Initial sedation for the dental is included in the package.

**Sheath/Udder Cleaning:** It is important for your horse's health to make sure these areas are well cleaned once a year.

**The Geriatric Add-On** is recommended for any horse or pony showing symptoms of EMS (Equine Metabolic Syndrome) or Cushings (PPID). EMS is primarily in horses younger than 15 years old, while PPID usually affects horses older than 15. ACTH is a steroid hormone that is increased with PPID. Insulin is often elevated in horses with Equine Metabolic Syndrome. Leptin is a hormone produced by body fat and tells the brain that the horse is full and can stop eating. Leptin is increased with EMS. Note for scheduling: horses need to be fasted overnight and sampled first thing in the morning. Only available in combination with Option 1 or 2. In some cases, a TRH Stimulation test will be recommended over the standard ACTH. If you have purchased this add on, the addition cost for a TRH Stimulation test will be \$115. Generally, TRH Stim is recommended for horses that are suspected to have Cushing's but are not showing clinical signs.



# Preventative Health Care Program Enrollment

SOUTH MOUNTAIN EQUINE

Enrollment Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name	Breed	Sex	Age	Use	Option	Add-on
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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Payment \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

We accept: cash, check, Visa, MC, Amex

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Acct. # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

CVC # \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Terms and Conditions

Sign-up is from 12/15/2021 through 4/01/2021. Enrollment begins at the receipt of payment prior to first visit. There is no carry over to the following year. Payment and enrollment are required prior to the first appointment. We accept cash, checks, and major credit cards for your prepayment convenience. Monthly payment plans are available with a credit card, there will be a one time \$40 fee per horse to be on a monthly payment plan. All plans must either be set up as a monthly payment or paid in full before the first visit. Monthly payments by check will not be accepted. If an enrolled horse dies or is sold while participating in the PHC, a prorated refund will be given or you may transfer the level to another horse (with a limit of one transfer per term). Any discounts offered through the PHC can **only** be applied to the enrolled horse.

Selected levels may not be changed during enrollment term, but may be changed the following enrollment year.

If all services offered in your selected level are not utilized within the plan term there is no refund or substitution.

Should your horse require or you request advanced dentistry (extra sedation or extractions) you will be responsible for the difference in price between a motorized dentistry (included in your package) and advanced dentistry.

Should your horse require deep muscle injections in addition to acupuncture, this will be an additional fee.

Additional **unscheduled** horses will not be seen during a PHC appointment to ensure adequate time to evaluate your horse.

The following services are **excluded** from the PHC program: Initial booster vaccines and additional services not specified

**Reminder** – To receive the full benefit of your wellness plan, please collect a fresh manure sample (2-3 fecal balls) to provide your veterinarian during your wellness appointment. The sample should be placed in a Ziploc bag and should not be more than 24 hours old. If collected the night prior to your appointment, the sample should be refrigerated. Remember to label the Ziploc bag with your name, your horse's name, and date.

Mailing address: PO Box 1081 Middletown MD 21769

Our PHC Programs meet the requirements for SmartPak's ColiCare program. This program provides us to \$10,000 towards colic surgery as long as your horses is enrolled in their program with their SmartDigest supplement and is currently receiving yearly veterinary preventive care. Although we do not have strong evidence that this supplement will prevent colic, it is a good way to provide you with the resources should your horse ever need colic surgery. [Smartpak Colicare](#)