



**Y**our horse will never know that one out of only 11 equine board-certified critical care specialists in American minister at Hagyard – but now you know that Hagyard believes that only the very best veterinary practitioners are good enough for your horse, especially in times of crisis.

**Because Hagyard Cares.**

# INFECTIOUS DISEASES CONTROL PROGRAM

At Hagyard we take seriously our responsibility to provide only the best veterinary care for our equine patients. To that end, minimizing the risk of infections during hospitalization is essential, and we go to great lengths to safeguard every patient.

The Program – In 2001, Hagyard implemented what university experts called “the most extensive biosecurity program of its kind” – and we’ve enhanced it even more since then, providing an early warning system to detect disease-causing organisms and prevent the spread of infection. We perform bacterial cultures on samples taken from specific patients, animal housing areas, and personnel, and proceed accordingly. Cleaning and disinfecting also are a major focus of the program.

## Diseases We Look For:

- **Salmonella**
- **Rotavirus**
- **Clostridium Species**
- **Streptococcus equi (Strangles)**
- **Influenza**
- **Equine Herpes**

The Program At Work - So, when you see footbaths, gowns, gloves, masks, roped-off areas, and other signs, rest assured we are taking bold, proactive measures to protect our valuable patients. In this case the old adage: “An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure” has never meant so much.

If you have any questions or concerns about infectious disease control please contact Nathan Slovis, DVM, Dipl. ACVIM Infectious Disease Control Officer.

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