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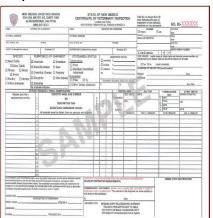
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Developed to help inform the public on the importance of awareness on Agricultural Issues.

Issue: How to care for your horses health

We all know how important it is to always check your I horses before taking them on a road trip. But, over the years, numerous cases of Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) have spread from activities like rodeos and horse shows. According to horsesidevetguide.com, VS is generally a summer-time problem. Colder weather in fall and early winter usually ends an outbreak. VS is I just one of the many health problems that could go wrong with your horse. Clean water, food, and living environments are major components to a horses health. Having your horse looked at by a veterinarian regularly, is also a good idea. That way your horse can have a scheduled deworming, as well as having your horses hooves trimmed by a horseshoer. With biosecurity, regular checkups, and a healthy lifestyle for your horses, can make all the difference in their lives. By remembering to check both sides of I the body for swelling or irregularities, the mouth, eyes, legs, and hooves you are not only doing yourself a favor, but you're saving your horses life. So ALWAYS remember...

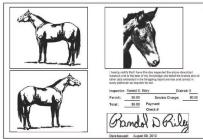
"Look Before You Load!"



Example form used by the New Mexico Livestock Board for Certificate of Veteri-nary Inspection. Courtesy of the New Mexico Livestock Board.







Example of Hauling Papers
Courtesy of New Mexico Livestock
Board

"KNOW" <u>How To Keep Your Horses</u> Safe:

Keep a first aid kit, and good records of immunizations, check-ups, and deworming. Also, always keep your horse's hauling papers and certificate of inspection in a safe place.

Notice normal behavior, habits, and appearances of your horse so you can tell when something is not right.

Obvious things to remember: Hoof care, teeth floating, and diet along with exercise are among the most important.

Wounds should always be gently cleaned and carefully inspected incase a veterinarian is needed.