

# MANAGING NEW, VISITING & RETURNING HORSES AT YOUR FACILITY



## PLAN

- Develop a herd health plan with your veterinarian.
- Validate health requirements before horses arrive.
- Manage access to the farm and the arrival of new, visiting or returning horses.
- Only attend events at facilities that have disease prevention procedures similar to your facility.



## ISOLATE

- Isolate new, visiting or returning horses for a minimum of 21 days.
- Ensure isolated horses have their own equipment, tools, paddocks, feed bowls, water troughs, waste disposal areas, etc.
- Monitor any changes to physical and/or mental health, and consult your veterinarian at the onset of any changes.



## COMMUNICATE

- Make everyone aware of your expectations and requirements for disease prevention and biosecurity.
- Post clear isolation protocols and timelines for new or returning owners, riders, and third-party service providers (e.g. vets and coaches) on your facility.
- Post signage with disease prevention protocols on facility gates, stalls and paddocks.
- Most importantly, communicate best practices for horses travelling from or returning to your facility.



## MONITOR & ASSESS

- Monitor your disease prevention and biosecurity protocols, and assess their effectiveness on a regular basis!