



EQUINE CARE

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KEY BENEFITS

Horse Health

Promotes equine health through proper nutrition, medical care, and exercise.

Human-Horse Bond

Enhances the human-horse bond through care, handling, and training activities.

Therapy Programs

Provides opportunities for equine therapy programs benefiting individuals with disabilities.

Disease Prevention

Reduces the risk of disease and injury through preventive care and monitoring.

KEY HAZARDS & CONTROL MEASURES**Kicks & Bites**

- ✓ Approach horses from side, never behind
- ✓ Warning signs for nervous horses
- ✓ Staff trained in horse behavior
- ✓ Proper handling equipment used

Stable Fires

- ✓ No smoking policy enforced
- ✓ Evacuation routes clear
- ✓ Fire extinguishers accessible
- ✓ Hay stored away from buildings

Loose Horses

- ✓ Fencing inspected regularly
- ✓ Escape protocol established
- ✓ Gates secured with proper latches
- ✓ Headcollars kept on doors

Slippery Surfaces

- ✓ Yard swept and maintained
- ✓ Grit available for icy conditions
- ✓ Rubber matting in wash areas
- ✓ Proper drainage installed



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