



Delaney Veterinary Services is a full service reproduction facility offering fresh and frozen semen inseminations, foaling out, as well as specialized services including embryo transfer and cryopreservation. We also offer services for stallions such as semen collection and shipping as well as

Monday-Friday
8 am-5 pm
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BREEDING INFORMATION



Mare Intake Recommendations

We highly recommend your mare arrives in optimal breeding condition in order to have the best chance at a high conception rate and a healthy pregnancy. If required we are pleased to take the necessary steps prior to breeding and can offer services in clinic or have one of our affiliates attend.

*****In addition to the below a uterine culture, cytology, and biopsy are strongly recommended (in some cases required) as well as any necessary treatment prior to breeding**.***

You've decided to breed your mare. Wonderful!

We aim to help you and your mare be as successful as possible.

Farrier

Hooves recently trimmed or reset if shod, well balanced and not contributing to lameness (major cracks, etc); “*Although broodmares may be housed on pasture and do not perform, their hooves undergo the same growth and wear as those of other horses. In fact, the metabolic and physical stresses of pregnancy may make broodmares more susceptible to diseases of the foot, increasing rather than decreasing their need for proper farriery.*”; “*Routine foot care is imperative during gestation,*” says Raul Bras, DVM, CJF, of Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital in Lexington, Ky. (<https://www.americanfarriers.com/articles/316-hoof-care-and-broodmares?v=preview>)

DVS has working relationships with excellent farriers who focus on correct balance and biomechanics



Body Condition

A Body Condition Score (BCS) of 5; “*Research acknowledges that low BCS in broodmares affects their reproductive efficiency. Mares in BCS 4 have a delayed first ovulation of 3 to 4 weeks compared to mares in BCS 5, indicating mares should be kept in BCS 5 or higher.*” (<https://www.science-equine.com/articles/breeding/mare-management/3288-body-condition-of-broodmares-and-the-effect-on-reproduction>)

DVS utilizes the specialized advice of equine nutritionists and can offer consulting on the feed program for your mare to create optimal condition



Dentistry

Recent or up to date dental work, ideally with the biomechanics of the mouth in alignment and balance; “*There is a continual myofascial connection from the horse’s jaw to the musculature of the pelvis*”, Dr. Jewell DVM, CAC; “*Just a good broodmare float is an oxymoron; all horses deserve complete dental care...*”, Judith M. Shoemaker, DVM, ©1998, 2000, 2001; recent studies show addressing the biomechanics and alignment of the mouth increase conception rates

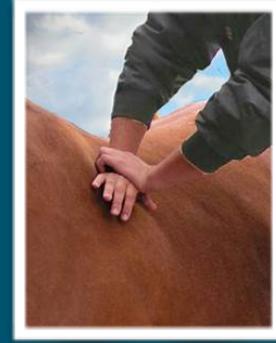
DVS has veterinarians on staff with specialized dental training providing floats and addressing the biomechanics of the mouth



Manual Adjustment Therapies

Chiropractic, spinal adjustments/manipulation, or osteopathy: as needed; often we see broodmares with pelvic alignment issues, specifically tilted forward; rectifying this with adjustments positively affects conception and pregnancy

DVS offers spinal adjustments in clinic



Complementary Therapies

Massage/Body Work/Acupuncture; helping to get the physical body of your mare in the best shape and working optimally to increase fertility and conception

DVS offers an array of complementary therapies in clinic including massage, body work, acupuncture, kinesiotaping, reiki, herbal consultation, PEMF

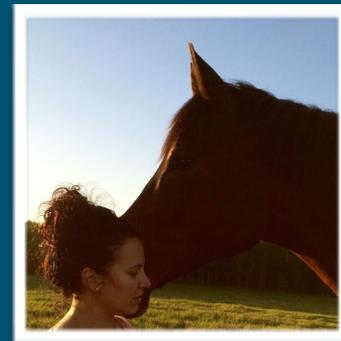


Stress Reduction

Emotional wellbeing/low stress increases the chance of conception. Your mare should be well handled, if she has a foal at side it should be well handled and ideally halter broke; we strive to maintain your mare's stay at DVS as low stress as possible. (<https://horse-canada.com/magazine/behaviour/reduce-horses-stress/>)

“Reiki is extremely useful in conjunction with traditional veterinary care. It helps horses recover faster, saving owners anxiety and cost. Veterinarians trained in this type of healing have found it useful in treating travel stress and digestive problems, as well as settling mares who are new mothers.” (<https://iarp.org/reiki-for-horses-the-benefits-of-equine-reiki/>)

DVS offers well being therapies such as reiki. Foals that are born at DVS receive regular handling while in the barn and go home used to being led in and out



The Reproduction team at DVS looks forward to working with you! Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

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