OSU Veterinary Medical Hospital Statement

(Stillwater, Okla., February 13, 2015) – A hospitalized patient at the OSU Veterinary Medical Hospital has been confirmed with the neuropathogenic form of equine herpesvirus (EHV-1). Necessary biosecurity measures have been taken and disinfection protocols have been implemented.

EHV viruses are found in most horses all over the world. It is recognized that severe debilitating diseases, which cause immunosuppression, can result in reactivation of the virus. We suspect this to be the most likely chain of events in the confirmed case. Five other horses have been quarantined and the equine barn is currently closed for biocontainment until further notice.

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