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Dear Clients,

Parrott Equine Associates, LLC, is not recommending regular, routine or annual vaccinations for Lyme Disease unless there are special circumstances that require it for each individual horse.

We feel that there is not enough scientific evidence to prove that the canine vaccine when used in horses is efficacious. Therefore, there may be no benefit or justification for the expense.

If you choose to vaccinate, we recommend the following protocol:

- Test your horse's blood to determine their Lyme Disease status.
- Based upon that status, vaccinations may be administered.
- Retest your horse's Lyme Disease vaccination status one month after completion of the vaccination series.

If you feel that your horse has been exposed to Lyme Disease, we recommend testing your horse's blood for their Lyme Disease status.

Additionally, Minocycline, a tetracycline antibiotic, has recently been tested at Cornell University as an effective treatment for Lyme Disease in horses that do not respond to oxytetracycline or doxycycline treatment.

Please call the office to speak to a doctor if you have any questions or would like to set up an appointment.

Sincerely,

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