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Resources

NEW BOLTON CENTER

GENERAL SERVICES

The area code for New Bolton Center is 215. Arrangements for hospitalization or emergency services can be made by calling 444-5800. Inpatient and outpatient referrals should be directed to specific sections. For Bovine Surgery, call 444-3595. For Equine Surgery call 444-3201.

Equine Outpatient Clinic

Open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and accepts patients without prior referral. Call Dr. William Moyer, 444-5800, ext. 405 or 406.

Field Service

Provides routine health care and emergency service for farm animals and horses in the surrounding community. Call 444-0900.

SPECIALTY SERVICES

Cardiology

Clinic day: Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Services include cardiac consultation, electrocardiograms, phonocardiograms, echocardiograms, and cardiac catheterization. Complete work-ups for poor racing performance can also be executed, including respiratory evaluation, submaximal exercise testing, endocrine evaluations, endoscopy, cardiology, and lameness evaluations. Work-ups can be scheduled for other days. Call (215) 444-5800, ext. 359.

Nutrition

Nutritional services, for the livestock industry, are offered in cooperation with referring practitioners or the New Bolton Center Field Service. Call (215) 444-5800, ext. 316.

Radiology

Radiology, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Only referral cases accepted. Call 444-5800, ext. 198.

Reproduction

Fertility Clinic: The Georgia and Philip Hofmann Research Center for Animal Reproduction provides fertility examinations for stallions, mares and other large animals. Call 444-5570.

DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES

Clinical Microbiology Laboratory

This laboratory is located in the Myrin building, Room 103, and provides a number of diagnostic services for the practitioner: isolation and identification of aerobes, fungi, salmonella, CEM (not for export purposes) organisms; microbiological evaluation of environmental, surgical, and postmortem specimens; mastitis specimens; antimicrobial susceptibility testing, direct gram stains, acid-fast and KOH (fungal) stains; preparation of bacterins, and certified EIA (Coggins) testing. Specimens should be sent directly to Microbiology, New Bolton Center. For general information and specimen and special handling procedures, call 444-5800, ext. 156, 157, or 159.

Clinical Laboratory Medicine

This laboratory provides routine hematologic, urine and fecal analysis. Profile studies (12 separate assays) are available at reduced charges. A limited number of tests are available during evening and weekend hours. For a detailed listing of tests, fee schedule, and preferred collection system, call (215) 444-5800, ext. 250.

Large Animal Pathology Laboratory

This laboratory offers necropsy and biopsy services. Biopsies should be mailed to the laboratory. Animals for necropsy must be accepted by the duty pathologist. Call 444-5800, ext. 211.

Cooperative Poultry Diagnostic Laboratory

Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. This is a University-state cooperative laboratory providing diagnostic and consultation services for poultry, game birds and pet birds in the following areas: serology, bacteriology, virology, and pathology. Farm visits may be arranged. Call 444-4282.

EVENTS

JULY

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NBC Tour, Smithsonian Associates

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NBC Practitioners Advisory Board Meeting

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AVMA National Meeting, New York City Alumni Reception.

SEPTEMBER

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Freshman Class Orientation and Picnic, NBC

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NBC Practitioners Advisory Board, Picnic, NBC

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Kennett Square Business and Professional Womens Association, Dinner and Program, NBC

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Quaker City Farmers, Luncheon and Meeting, NBC

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Executive Board, Alumni Society, VHUP

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SCVMA Picnic, NBC

OCTOBER

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Fall Faculty Meeting, Philadelphia

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Greyhound Specialty Show, NBC

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Board of Overseers Meeting, Philadelphia



Steve Peoples and Jim Reed, President and Vice-president of the Class of 1984 receive the Sports Day plaque from Josh Jacobson of Adelpia Graphic Systems. The plaque, donated by the company, may be seen in the lobby of B-101 at VHUP. The Class of 1984 has won the Veterinary Alumni Society event for two years.

Resources

Diagnostic Assistance For Herd Problems

Clinicians are available to assist and/or consult with veterinarians in the evaluation of difficult or unusual problems. For information call Dr. Robert Whitlock, 444-5800, ext. 321.

Endocrine Laboratory

Assays and consultation on reproductive, thyroid, and adrenal hormones. Call Dr. Marolo Garcia, 444-5800, ext. 202.

Cytogenetics Laboratory

Chromosome analysis. Call Ms. Lynne Kressly, 444-5800, ext. 204 or 110.

AUXILIARY SERVICES

The Large Animal Hospital has, on call, certain specialty services at the Philadelphia campus, such as dermatology, neurology, and ophthalmology. Investigators in research units at New Bolton Center, such as the Comparative Leukemia Studies Unit, also are available for consultation. For information call 444-5800.

VHUP Referral

HOT LINE

The last segment of the new VHUP Referral system goes into place with the appointment of Susan Berthold as referral coordinator and manager of the Referral HOT LINE. Susan, formerly coordinator of the Emergency Service at VHUP, will assure that follow-up reports made to referring practitioners are

processed and forwarded quickly. While facilitating the flow of paper work between VHUP and practitioners is her main responsibility, she will also man the new Referral HOT LINE, 898-IVET (898-1838).

According to Barry Stupine, VHUP Director, the new HOT LINE has been installed to better serve the referring practitioners. By dialing 898-IVET (898-1838) medical information concerning a specific patient may be obtained by the referring veterinarian. Also the HOT LINE may be used to report a problem if written information has not been received in a reasonable period of time.

The HOT LINE, which is located in the Medical Records Department, will operate twenty-four hours a day. After business hours and when Susan is away from her desk, an answering machine will record the message and she will call with answers as soon as possible. The HOT LINE is not intended to replace calls between clinicians and practitioners or the formal reports to practitioners, but can be of use whenever practitioners feel the information can be obtained in this manner. As always, practitioners are encouraged to call VHUP clinicians to discuss specific cases.

The new Referral System was designed by a committee of practitioners, VHUP clinicians and administrators in September of 1982. A Referral Information booklet was mailed to referring practitioners in late November. This booklet lists the services available at VHUP, the clinicians and their telephone numbers. As stated in the booklet a blue referral form or referral letter should accompany each patient when it is brought to VHUP. This form provides the hospital with pertinent medical background about the animal.

Referral Postcards are now being mailed from VHUP to the referring practitioner within twenty-four hours after the animal is seen. This card informs the

practitioner about the tentative diagnosis and treatment plan. A final written report from VHUP to the practitioner should follow the completion of tests, diagnosis, and treatment and Ms. Berthold will monitor this system. We encourage all practitioners to use the HOT LINE (898-IVET) for help.

PLEASE NOTE: THE PRIVATE NUMBER FOR VETERINARIANS WHO WISH TO REACH OUR APPOINTMENT SECTION IS STILL 898-4218.

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