INDUSTRY NEWS

NTRA Board approves updates to Safety & Integrity Code of Standards
The National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) approved amendments to the NTRA Safety & Integrity Alliance Code of Standards. Learn more about these changes at their website.

Michigan State revamps vet curriculum with hopes to reduce student debt
Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine plans to restructure its curriculum in an effort to reduce student debt and stress. Read more here.

Courtesy of Veterinary Practice News.

Important deadline:

- October 26: Comments due on proposal to amend Horse Protection Regulations: USDA’s Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) comments are due by Midnight (EST) on Wednesday on the proposed rule that would amend APHIS’ Horse Protection Act (HPA) regulations.

AAEP NEWS

AAEP Touch: Clients expect to use veterinarians more because of older horses
Clients who expect to use their veterinarian more often say it is
because of their aging horses. If your practice does not offer specific services for your oldest patients, you may be missing a tremendous opportunity for expanded veterinary care. Visit the Touch website for resources to help you start a geriatric wellness program. Sign in using the same username and password for aaep.org.

AAEP to be awarded by National Turf Writers and Broadcasters
The AAEP will be presented with the Joe Palmer Award for long and meritorious service to horse racing by the National Turf Writers and Broadcasters (NTWAB) at the organization's annual awards dinner on Nov. 2. Read more here.

October issue of EVE available on the AAEP Publications app
The October issue of Equine Veterinary Education is now available on the AAEP Publications app. EVE has been mailed to all members. Log into the app using your AAEP website login information. Download it from your app store today!

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Sport horse medicine in the spotlight at AAEP’s 2017 Resort Symposium
If your clients’ horses run, jump, spin, or slide, you won’t want to miss the AAEP’s 19th Annual Resort Symposium, Jan. 30-Feb.1, 2017, at Grand Cayman’s Seven Mile Beach. Register now.

Annual Convention Updates

Nov. 1 is your last chance to pre-register for Convention
Register now to save $70 off the on-site attendee rate for the 2016 Convention. After Nov.1, you must register on site in Orlando. Register and save here!
Important Convention deadlines:

- **October 28:** Foundation Celebration auction item donation deadline.
  For more information on the event, auction or making a donation, click [here](#).

- **November 1:** Deadline to sign up for the AAEP Foundation Benefit Golf Tournament.
  The entry fee is $125 per person, and due by Nov. 1. For more information and to register, click [here](#).

- **November 8:** Deadline to book hotel rooms at the AAEP discounted rate.
  This is the last day rooms will be available at our discounted rate. [Click here](#) to make your reservation.

**Follow the AAEP Convention on social media**

Stay connected to the latest Convention news when you like the [AAEP 62nd Annual Convention Facebook page](#). Follow along on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) (@AAEPHorseDocs).

**63rd Annual Convention Call for Papers**

Members and other individuals are invited to submit papers for consideration for presentation during the 63rd Annual Convention in San Antonio, Texas. All papers must be submitted online by **March 15, 2017, 3:00 p.m. ET**. [Submit here](#).

**EQUINE DISEASE NEWS**

**Florida reports fifth Eastern Equine Encephalitis case**

A new EEE case was confirmed on Oct. 18 in Florida. [Read more](#).

*Courtesy of [www.outbreaknewstoday.com](http://www.outbreaknewstoday.com).*

**Related:**

- [Wisconsin confirms 18th case of EEE](#)
- [South Carolina reports 15 cases of EEE](#)
Michigan confirms first reported case of West Nile virus
On Oct. 10, the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development was notified of a confirmed case of WNV. Learn more.

FOUNDATION NEWS

25 things you need to put in one place
On the Foundation website, we’ve added a helpful check list for estate planning purposes. It’s an easy to use, one-page list of The 25 Estate Documents You Need to Put in One Place. Visit aapffoundation.org to print out this list and to find other tools, calculators and even a “Will Planning Wizard.”

Honor a mentor through the Foundation’s “My Mentor” Honor Program
The “My Mentor” honor program allows anyone to publicly express gratitude for the influential figures who helped shape their lives and careers. Visit here to learn more, nominate and donate in the name of your mentor.

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

- Peterson and Smith is offering a three-year ACVS residency in equine surgery (July 2017 - July 2020) to qualified veterinarians interested in gaining experience and confidence while developing and improving their knowledge and practical skills. The program provides residents with extensive exposure to all aspects of both equine surgery and medicine. One emphasis of the Peterson and Smith residency is to provide broad clinical experiences supported by ACVS- and ACVIM-boarded doctors. Arrangements with the University of Florida Veterinary Teaching Hospital in Gainesville enables residents to fulfill the required ACVS special rotations in radiology, pathology, anesthesiology and medicine. Residents travel to Gainesville one day a week until the rotations are completed, usually by the beginning of the second year. This time spent at the University provides quality time with peers and Diplomates of all specialty colleges and access to University of Florida libraries. The primary aim of the Peterson and Smith surgical residency is to produce a highly competent veterinarian with refined surgical skills who is also capable of practicing quality medicine. Qualified veterinarians interested in the
residency should send their resumé to Peterson & Smith Equine Hospital, Attention: Grace Tirado Perez, Operations Assistant, 4747 SW 60th Avenue, Ocala, FL 34474; by fax to (352) 237-0629; or email PSEH@petersonsmith.com.