

To be eligible for the Colic Surgery Benefit in the wellness Program horses must have the following with a Bannon Woods Veterinarian.

1. Horses must be microchipped to be eligible for enrollment. This permanent form of identification will be your horse's enrollment number.
2. Two Semiannual Visits, either in clinic or farm call with a Bannon Woods Veterinarian. Visits must be schedule 6 months apart with a 30 day overlap period in either direction to remain enrolled. Visit 1 must preceed Visit 2 for participation in the Wellness Program. Vaccinations must be provided by and administered by a Bannon Woods Veterinarian.
 - a. Visit 1: Comprehensive Physical Examination
Vaccinations required: Eastern and Western encephalitis, Tetanus, West Nile
Flu/Rhino EHV 1/4
Rabies
Strangles
Coggins Test
Oral Examination and dental float
Fecal Test
Deworming
 - b. Visits 2: Comprehensive Physical Examination
Vaccinations required: Flu/Rhino
Botulism
Fecal Test
Deworm
Oral Examination and dental float if needed
3. Colic surgery must be performed at Bannon Woods Veterinary Hospital and performed by a Bannon Woods Veterinarian.
4. Colic Benefit is effective 30 days after initial enrollment. Enrollment is done at the time of the first Comprehensive Examination.
5. The semi-annual visit will be scheduled 6 months after visit 1. There is a 30-day grace period before and after the 6 month visit date to better accommodate our clients schedule. If the second visit is not performed, then the horse is no longer eligible for wellness program benefits.
6. Horses attending the Spring Wellness clinic at Bannon Woods Veterinary Hospital are eligible to participate in the Wellness Program if the Wellness package is purchased in full.
7. Horses that receive discounted Coggins and Dental Floats during the January and February Special promotions are also eligible to participate but must pay the remainder of the Wellness package in full, minus the services already provided, at the time of enrollment.
8. Horses that are unable to receive the recommended vaccinations are not eligible for wellness benefits including the colic surgery benefit. Horses that are not eligible for the colic surgery benefit are still able to participate in the wellness program.

9. Horses that undergo Colic Surgery at Bannon Woods Veterinary Hospital and take advantage of the Colic Surgery benefit agree to allow Bannon Woods Veterinary Hospital to share pictures of the patient on Social Media and other sources of advertisement. Personal information will not be released such as owner and patient name.

Commonly asked questions:

1. If my horse colic's at my farm and needs a farm call is this cost covered in the Colic Surgery Benefit?

No, the allotted money in the offered program is for surgery and aftercare while at Bannon Woods Veterinary Hospital for fees incurred directly related to surgery and aftercare of surgery.

2. Is a medical colic covered under the Colic Surgery Benefit?

No, the Benefit does not cover the cost incurred before surgical intervention.

3. Is it ok if my horse already has a microchip?

Absolutely, the microchip ID number is the form of permanent identification that we will add your horse's enrollment number into the wellness program. If your horse does not already have a microchip we will place a chip at the enrollment visit for an additional fee.

4. What does enrollment cost?

Zero. There is no fee to be enrolled.

5. What does colic surgery usually cost?

Colic surgery cost depends on the type of colic that is being treated. For example, a gas displacement colic is typically \$3500 total cost. Surgery that requires an enterotomy and pelvic flexure evacuation typically in total cost \$6500. Surgery that would require resection and anastomosis (removing dead bowel and reconnecting healthy tissue) are very costly and can cost up to \$20,000.

6. My horse is already up to date with my previous Veterinarian can I enroll in this program.

Yes, however, be eligible to receive the Colic Surgery Benefit, initial wellness examination MUST be scheduled with vaccination visit 1 as listed above. You are welcome to enroll your horse when you choose.