

## **Message from Charles Town HBPA President Jim Miller**

COVID-19 cases have been identified in the barn area. For your safety and the safety of others you MUST wear a mask in the barn area. This is not optional. It is a REQUIREMENT of HCCTR and makes good health sense. Please protect the health and the livelihood of your fellow Horsemen. COVID-19 is a very serious health issue, which has already affected many Horsemen. Wearing a mask is the single most important action you can take to prevent the spread of the virus. The continuous spread of the virus could result in another lengthier shutdown, causing our livelihoods to be negatively affected.

If you are experiencing flu like symptoms, or have been exposed to someone who has the virus, assistance and direction as to what you should do is available through the WV Department of Health and Human Resources (<https://dhhr.wv.gov/COVID-19/pages/testing.aspx>) and your local county health Department. The Jefferson County Health Department phone number is (304)-728-8416.

Testing is free and available to all residents in selected counties, including asymptomatic individuals. Proof of insurance is NOT required. Attendees should bring identification, such as a driver's license or proof of address, to help in returning test results. Those under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

NOTE: Testing will be conducted on a first-come, first-served basis.

If you have additional questions regarding this message, please contact the CT HBPA office at [info@cthbpa.com](mailto:info@cthbpa.com) or 304-725-1535.