

# **Attica Veterinary Associates APRIL 2020**



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## New Operating Procedures – Help Us Help You!

Help us keep you and our staff safe.

1. Please use one of the following methods to place your orders prior to picking them up:
  - Call the office at 585-591-2660
  - Send a text message to 585-356-3420
  - Email [avacattltek@icloud.com](mailto:avacattltek@icloud.com)
2. Your order will be placed on the table outside of the clinic. Do not enter the clinic; only essential employees are allowed inside.
3. If you'd like to pay by credit card, please call in with your card information ahead of time.
4. To better serve all of our clients, please consider contacting us with your order before coming to the clinic.

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## BI Promo to Launch 25-Dose Bottles of Cystorelin

Note: The bottles are short dated and expire in August.

- Bottles must be bought in lots of "10" (250 total doses)
- Payments are at the time of purchase and no other discounts apply. Cash, good check, ACH payment, or retainer.
- BI's Promotional Price: Buy 6 of 25 dose bottle for \$36.65, get 4 free for a total of **\$219.90 for 250 doses**. Call to check on availability.

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## The "How-To's" for checking on Newborn Immunity from Colostrum.

Go to [atticacows.com](http://atticacows.com). From the "Resources" dropdown menu select the top item, "Calf Facts Resource Menu." Scroll down to "Testing for Transfer of Immunity." The ten-point summary at the beginning will allow you to quickly pick out the information that you need. We have all the necessary supplies available at the vet clinic.

## BioPRYN Reminders

BioPRYN® is a blood pregnancy test for ruminants (cattle, sheep, goats).

**How soon post-breeding can animals be tested?** Heifers can be tested 25 days post breeding and cows can be tested at 28 days or later, after breeding. Lactating cows must also be 73 days after calving.

**How much does BioPRYN cost?** The test itself costs \$2.50 for cattle and \$6.75 for sheep and goats at our laboratory, plus the cost of a sample tube and needle. Shipping expenses also must be added if the tests are not delivered to our Attica lab.

**How should blood samples be prepared and shipped?** Farm personnel need to draw blood samples from the tail or jugular vein, which is an easily learnt procedure. Blood samples of at least 2 mL per animal should be collected in individual vacuum tubes.

## Preventing Pneumonia in Young Dairy Calves

When feeding colostrum, match the feeding rate to the swallowing rate — do not give in to the temptation to cut out the end of the nursing bottle nipple to “hurry things along.” [Spanish: ¡Espera! ¡No se corta esa chupón!] Saving a few minutes at colostrum feeding often costs us time and drug costs to treat pneumonia later.

- Use a tube feeder properly. No fluid in the tube while it is either going into the throat (esophagus) or on the way out.
- Follow this URL for tube feeding skills:

[atticacows.com/library/newsletters/TubeFeedingSkillsTeachingR19177.pdf](http://atticacows.com/library/newsletters/TubeFeedingSkillsTeachingR19177.pdf)

## FOR SALE

72 Round bales, 4x5 processed, net wrapped, stored under tarp.

Call Doug at 716-860-7453

New Holland 790 Chopper, 540 PTO, 824 2-row corn head, 890 hay head, excellent shape. Asking \$13,000. Robert Koithan 716-807-1965

## WANTED

One or two fresh first-lactation Holstein heifers for stanchion or tie-stall barn, call 716-652-4676

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