

### Protocol for Return to Main Hospital Facility

This protocol is suggested in cases where a large animal patient has been admitted to isolation and then warrants return to the main hospital facility for ongoing care or diagnostics.

If patient care warrants return to the main hospital, consider the following:

- ☑ The animal must never have cultured positive for *Salmonella* and
- ☑ Must have at least 3 negative daily fecal *Salmonella* cultures prior to return.
- ☑ A minimum of 5 days (3 days culture plus 2 days for results) will be spent in isolation unless the animal is to return home.

If a hospitalized patient develops the clinical signs and laboratory abnormalities consistent with a contagious respiratory infection, it should ideally be transported to the isolation facility by a route to minimize exposure of other patients.