

New Jersey Department of Agriculture

Memo

To: Veterinarians

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Re: Urgent Recall Notice for PreveNile West Nile Virus Vaccine from Intervet Schering-Plough Animal Health

This urgent notice is to inform all New Jersey equine veterinarians that Intervet Schering-Plough Animal Health has issued a voluntary recall of all serial numbers and all dose presentations of their product, PreveNile West Nile Virus Vaccine. This recall is being conducted because Intervet has identified an increased incidence of adverse events related to currently marketed serials. These adverse events include:

- Increased trend of acute anaphylaxis, including death in some cases, from immediate to within one hour following vaccine injection
- Increased respiratory distress immediately following vaccine injection
- Increased trend of delayed hyperimmune responses, including hives, usually one day following vaccination
- Other systemic effects, such as colic, developing within one hour to one day following vaccine injection

The immediate recall is for all serials of product. The serial numbers are:

PreveNile One-dose:

91669001 91669015
91669002 91669016
91669005 91660001
91669006 91660002
91669007
91669012
91669013
91669014

PreveNile Five-dose:

91669003
91669004
91669008
91669009
91669010
91669011
91660003
91660004

For more information, please call the Technical Service Department of Intervet Schering-Plough, Animal Health at 866-349-3497, or visit the webpage www.PreveNile.com. The company recommends veterinarians to switch to another brand of West Nile Virus vaccine, in the interim of researching why PreveNile is showing adverse trends.

The Division of Animal Health can be reached at (609) 292-3965 with any questions or concerns.

