

### AUSTRALIAN EQUESTRIAN TEAM VETERINARIANS 2016-2020 Olympic and Paralympic Disciplines

#### Overview

The position of National Team Veterinarian is a key appointment in the planning and preparation in meeting the team's performance targets at Olympic and World Equestrian Games.

The Team Veterinarian works with team management, riders and owners on the management of horses and their suitability for competition and selection to teams.

Team Veterinarians will be appointed for the 2016-2020 and Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games period.

#### Functions and Responsibilities

The position of Team Veterinarian is expected to fulfil the following requirements:

- Advise National Selectors and Team Management on the soundness and fitness of nominated horses.
- Examine horses, including collection and interpretation of pathology samples.
- Implement the veterinary aspect of the High Performance Plan within the program's budgetary guidelines.
- Attend nominated events during the year in accordance with the High Performance Plan (HPP).
- Work with National Squad members, Owners and their private veterinarians to establish veterinary and equine management plans for their nominated horses.
- Liaise with and assist the High Performance Management Team in organising and conducting training camps, clinics and team competitions.
- Work with National Squad members to formulate and implement work programs to achieve required levels of fitness, including rehabilitation or recovery for nominated horses after illness or injury.
- Assist the National team at World Equestrian Games and Olympic Games and any other team competition that is part of the HPP.
- Contribute to the formulation of, and participate in, National team preparation activities including training camps and overseas campaigns.
- Team Veterinarians are required to maintain accurate and detailed veterinary records of nominated horse on the Horse Athlete Management System (HAMS)