**Pre- Anesthesia Preparation**

* No grain is to be fed 24 hours before anesthesia. No hay is to be fed 12 hours before anesthesia.
* Water is OK
* Foals scheduled for general anesthesia are usually allowed to nurse up to 1 hour before scheduled induction time
* Review patient’s medical history; check for deworming dates. Wait at least one week, preferably two, following organophosphate treatment.
* A 12-14 gauge 3 – 5 inch long catheter is used for most horses.
* Pick the feet and clean the debris and dirt or cover the shoes
* Rinse the mouth with warm water prior to induction
* The mouth is washed out thoroughly using a dose syringe and water. This is done to prevent the endotracheal tube carrying food material into the trachea and lungs.