

HOW TO:

GIVE AN INTRAMUSCULAR INJECTION



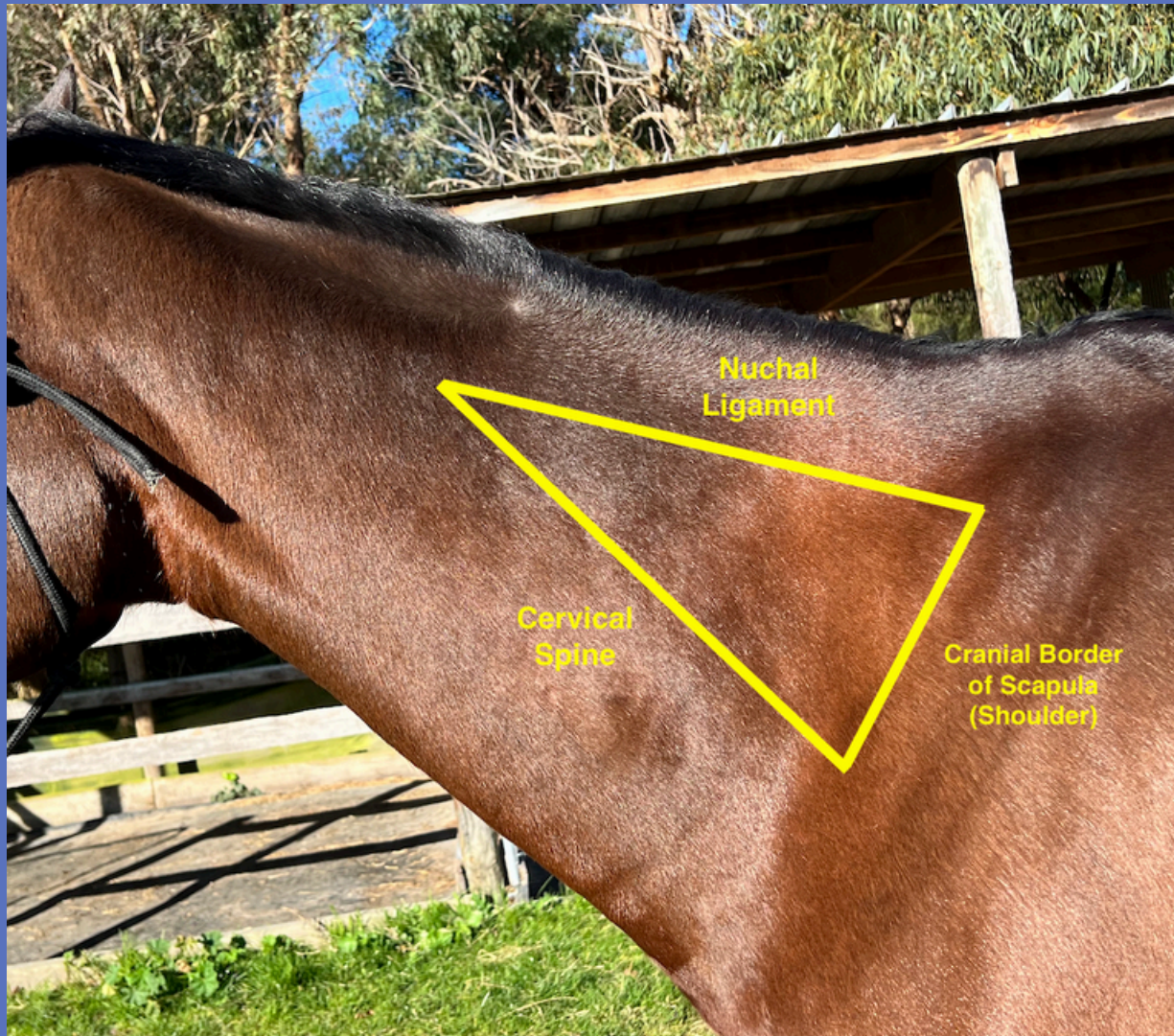
Common IM injection sites



1. Neck Muscles
2. Gluteal Muscles
3. Pectoral Muscles

Before administering an intramuscular injection:

1. Have the horse safely restrained
2. Correctly identify the anatomical landmarks and palpate the muscle
3. Ensure the injection site is clean
4. Have the correct medication and volume drawn up
5. Have a fresh needle on the syringe



Step 1: Identify the anatomical landmarks and palpate the muscle



Step 2: Draw up the correct volume of medication, and place a fresh needle on the syringe



Step 3: Ensure the injection site is clean of dirt and debris



Step 4: Grab a small amount of skin as a distraction



Step 5: Insert the needle into the muscle perpendicular to the neck



Step 6: Withdraw, if
blood remove needle
and relocate



Step 7: If no blood,
inject medication



Step 8: Remove and
massage the area



Step 9: Do not recap
needle and dispose of
in medical sharps
container