Chronic Grass Sickness Nursing Record Sheet

Monitoring Clinical Signs, Behaviour and Feed/Water Intake and Weight

Name of owner:

A	Age:	Gender:		
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For completion of this sheet, if your time is limited just note changes that are highlighted in green shaded areas, these will be the most valuable for assessing progress.

Clinical Signs	Date: Time:	Date: Time:
Temperature		
(normal* 37.5 – 38.5 °C OR		
99.5 – 101.5 °F)		
Dysphagia (Difficulty		
swallowing)		
0 = no difficulty + = some discomfort seen		
++ = marked discomfort and sound made		
Nasal discharge (thick/coloured)		
& bad smelling breath		
Yes/No		
Rhinitis sicca (dry crusty nasal		
membranes)		
0 = none seen + = some crusts seen		
++ = crusts seen snorted out and		
breathing noisy.		
Weight (kg) – twice weekly,		
same day and time each week.		
(Using weigh tape)		
Heart Rate		
(normal* 30 – 42 bpm)		
Respiration Rate		
(normal* 8 – 12 bpm) Gut Sounds		
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0 = none		
+ = some		<u> </u>
++ = normal		
+++ = hyper motile		
Piles of faeces passed in 24 hour		
period. (note number of piles &		
colour)		

Name of horse/pony:







^{*}healthy adult horse at rest

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Behaviour/Demeanour	Date:	Date:
	Time:	Time:
Exhibiting elephant on a tub stance (with/without leaning on stable wall & weight shifting) – Yes/No		
Difficulty lying down and		
getting up due to weakness. Yes/No		
Approaches when feed offered – Yes/No		
Mild colic signs (flank watching or stretching body) Yes/No		
Walks towards carer when first enters stable – Yes/No		
Comes to look over stable door at carer approach – Yes/No		
Appears depressed (e.g. head down, stood in corner, no interest in carer on approach) - Yes/No		
Facial expression (stiffly backward facing ears, tension above eyes, mouth rigidity and pronounced chin, flattening of nostrils) - Yes/No		
Showing interest in interacting with other horses Yes/No		
Other Comments:		







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Feed/Water Intake	Date: Time:	Date: Time:
Water Intake: seen to drink water daily Yes/No – note how offered e.g flavoured/warm/cold		
Feed Intake (bucket feed) 0 = none + = a few mouthfuls ++ = half feed (approx. kg) +++ = full feed (approx.kg)		
Type of feed offered:		
Consistency of bucket feed offered: dry/damped/wet/soup		
Anything offered to flavour bucket feed:		
Feed intake (forage feed/grazing) 0 = none + = a few mouthfuls ++ = half feed +++ = full feed		
Type of forage offered: (including grazing)		
Pre/probiotic given: Yes/No and type		
Vitamin/Mineral supplement		
given: Yes/No and type		





