## SPECIMEN SUBMISSION FORM FOR VETERINARY SPECIMENS

## **PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORIES**

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Veterinarian Name:		Name of animal owner:	
Veterinarian Address: (Street, City, State, Zip Code)		Owner Address: (Street, City, State, Zip Code)	
Veterinarian Phone:		Owner Phone:	
Veterinarian FAX	<b>K</b> :		
Species: Equine Other (please indicate)		Name of Animal:	
Is the animal:	Alive Dead	Animal's Boarding Address: (Street, City, State, Zip Code)	
	Euthanized Date/time of death:		
Specimen(s) submitted:		Date(s) of collection:	
Has this animal been vaccinated for:			
WNV	Yes; date of vaccination:	No	Unknown
EEE	Yes; date of vaccination:	No	Unknown
Rabies	Yes; date of vaccination:	No	Unknown
Clinical History:			
Travel History: (List travel history for the last 30 days)			
Date of onset of illness:			

Serologic tests and molecular assays are available to detect the presence of antibody or antigen due to arboviral infections such as West Nile Virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis. Tests will be performed to confirm virus infection and in some cases follow up (convalescent) specimens will be requested. The following information is critical for accurate interpretation of test results:

- Date of onset of disease symptoms
- Dates of specimen collection
- Travel history
- Vaccination history
- Description of clinical illness
- Specimen types and amounts

Acute serum (≥3ml) and CSF (≥1ml) for screening by enzyme immunoassays should be collected within the first 14 days following onset of symptoms and sent immediately to the State Public Health Laboratories on ice. In general, convalescent-phase specimens should be drawn approximately 10-14 days after acute phase specimens.

For further technical information regarding diagnostic testing, please call Denise Bolton, Arbovirus/Emergency Response, at 271-3684, or 1-800-852-3345, extension 3684.