



Notice to Greyhound Stakeholders

The Australian Animal Health Laboratory (AAHL) confirmed that a dog has been exposed to Hendra Virus. The property was already under quarantine due to 3 horses on the property being affected by Hendra Virus.

It is thought that the dog was exposed to the virus through contact with a sick horse on the property.

This is the first time a species other than fruit bats, horses or humans has been known to have become exposed to Hendra Virus outside of a laboratory situation.

The dog has not shown any signs of illness and no live virus has been detected from the dog. Further sample will be collected from the dog and forwarded to AAHL for testing.

While this isolated case should not give rise to any immediate concern for greyhound stakeholders, as a precautionary measure we advise all owners and trainers to keep their greyhounds away from sick horses.

More information will be provided when it becomes available.