

## SBS-VS Problem Breeder Program (PBP)

Do you have a valuable broodmare that hasn't settled despite multiple attempted breedings?  
Would you love to produce a foal from her because of her valuable genetics?  
Perhaps she is an older mare with chronic endometritis or mating induced endometritis?

These problem or barren mares can be very frustrating and attempts to use modern reproductive therapies can be very expensive. Many genetically superior mares could continue to be productive, but often owners retire them from the broodmare band because of the risk of high costs associated with reproductive therapies.

SBS-VS is introducing a program designed to minimize the financial risk associated with attempting to obtain pregnancies from these problem mares. SBS-VS's board certified veterinary specialist and staff will partner with mare owners to share the risk and costs of modern therapies in this unique pay for success program. Mare owners pay a modest entrance fee that covers the hard costs of advanced diagnostics and therapies for up to two cycles of attempted breeding. If we are unsuccessful in obtaining a pregnancy, you pay nothing more than the entrance fee. If we are successful, you pay a fixed pregnancy fee.

This Problem Breeder Program is a "Pay for Success" package to help owners realize gains from breeding valuable mares that have become unproductive. The program allows owners to know up-front what the maximum financial outlay will be for either a successful or unsuccessful outcome.

### Problem Breeder Program Highlights

- *Designed for barren or problem mares.*
- *\$500 entrance fee covers initial diagnostic work-up and two cycles of reproductive management, artificial insemination, and reproductive therapies.*
- *Pregnancy fee of \$2250.00 will be charged if and when the mare is diagnosed pregnant with a viable fetus and detected heartbeat.*
- *Semen delivery, shipment charges, and daily board rates will apply.*
- *If the mare is not in foal after two cycles, a decision for the mare to depart, with no subsequent charges, is available to the owner or farm manager.*

During the initial diagnostic evaluation, if embryo transfer becomes the most likely procedure to generate a live foal, then the mare may be enrolled in SBS-VS' Embryo Transfer Program (ETP) at the owner's discretion. The \$500 deposit will be forwarded towards the costs associated with ET. Both our problem mare and embryo transfer services are designed to cover our expenses with pregnancy fees payable for successful outcomes. Our ET program has no enrollment fee and minimal flush fees when an embryo is not recovered to help defer the costs associated with equine ET.

**If you are interested in discussing this program further, please call SBS-VS at 410.885.3202 to determine if your problem broodmare would benefit from our services.**