Alpaca/Llama (Camelid) Care Sheet

BIRTH:

*Bo-Se

*Vitamin A&D (If legs appear crooked repeat at 30 days and again at 4 months)

*Tetanus Antitoxin 750-1500 units SQ

*Dip Navel in Iodine (7%)

*Ensure colostrum intake within the first 6 hours. Supplement, if unsure of intake, with 10% of body weight in Colostrum over the first 24 hours (divide this amount over several feedings)

*Weigh daily for 10 days, minimum weight gain of 0.25 lb per day (alpaca)

8-12 weeks:

*CDT vaccination – repeat in 4 weeks, then vaccinate adults annually

*Leptospirosis – optional, repeat in 4 weeks, then every 6 months

DEWORM:  Fecal Examination every 3 months, additional fecal exam(s) if any diarrhea is noted. Deworm as directed by your veterinarian.

FALL (annually):  Vitamin A&D injection to all babies born the prior year and current year, also any at-risk adults

General Recommendations:

*Check Body Condition every 4-6 months, put your hands on them regularly.

*Trim feet regularly

*Shear in spring as necessary

*Check for external parasites regularly – lice, mites, ticks

* Avoid larger procedures/treatments (ie:stress) in the first 30 days or last 60 days of pregnancy

*Use loose minerals or mineral block