



### AUDIO TRANSCRIPT – BACK TO THE CLINIC

Chris: G'day Emma, how's your day been?

Emma: Yeah good thanks. Yeah good – surgeries, you know, just the usual. What about you?

Chris: Yeah not too bad. I saw this pretty unusual case. I went out to Jane's place and had a look at one of her horses and it was pretty weird. It was pretty ataxic and looked weak, and the horse was just not quite right – she was a bit dull. During the examination she has some muscle fasciculations over her neck and her body, and I just got a little bit worried about. Look I ended up – just wanted to have a chat to you about it – I actually ended up you know, putting the PPE on, you know, the kits that we have in the car, and ended up taking some samples for Hendra exclusion.

Emma: Yeah right. Probably a good idea. Gee that's funny actually. When you say that, it reminds of a case I saw yesterday, just really quite like that.

Chris: Yeah right, what was it doing?

Emma: Ah, I'm freaking out a bit now. 'Cos I didn't suit up, but I did ask her if it was vaccinated against Hendra, and she said yes so...

Chris: Yeah right.

Emma: So I just didn't even... I thought it was a trauma. It was wobbly, had mud on it and stuff, and there'd been that storm. So I just took it as a trauma, but it does sound a bit the same.

Chris: Yeah, I mean it could be a couple of cases of trauma. Jane's horse wasn't vaccinated so that just increased my worry about whether Hendra virus could be involved. But um, it's a bit unusual.

Emma: Bit of a co-incidence!

Chris: Yeah, a couple of cases. Mmmm, I wonder what's going on? Certainly interesting. As I said I sent those samples down to the lab, so hopefully we'll get the Hendra virus results back tomorrow. But yeah, I wonder what could be going on?