

What is Strangles??Strangles is an infection caused by the bacteria *Streptococcus equi* ssp. The infection spreads by direct horse-to-horse contact or by humans, tack, drinking troughs, fences and from the environment contaminated with the infectious discharge. Typically the horse develops a fever (high temperature, $>38.3^{\circ}\text{C}$) and swollen lymph nodes which abscess and rupture. *equi*