



*“Not all medicine comes in a bottle”*

**THERAPY TEAM TRAINING  
REGISTRATION FORM**

**"Our therapy animals deserve a trained, skilled and devoted handler."**

**INTRODUCTORY SEMINAR** *Explore Volunteering with Your Animal*

Have you ever met a furry, four-legged wet nosed therapist? As a matter of fact, you may be living with one already. If you are interested in giving back to your community and taking the beautiful bond you have with your dog to an entirely different level, you should definitely attend the Introductory Seminar. This 60-minute ZOOM seminar is an overview of therapy animal work and is designed for the new handler. You will learn about becoming a registered therapy team. Required to be a member of Mid South Therapy Dogs & Friends. Please join us to learn more.

**Animals do not attend.**

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**WORKSHOP ONE** Team Training Workshop **One** is designed for those teams that are ready to take the next step to move to the advance training which combines lecture, discussion and role playing. It covers the fundamental information needed to succeed as a Therapy Team. Through this lecture, group discussion and role playing, you will discover how to interact effectively with clients and keep your animal safe in various visiting environments. This session is required to move onto the additional Workshops which involve the animal partners.

**Animals do not attend.**

**Important information you will learn:**

- Walk-through of the Competency-Based Team Evaluation – The test!
- How you and your animal companion can test and register as a volunteer team
- The difference between animal-assisted therapy (AAT) and animal-assisted activities (AAA)
- How to recognize signs of stress in your animal companion
- How to conduct an AAA/AAT visit and what to bring with you
- How to prepare your animal for an AAA/AAT visit
- The appropriate terminology and conversational approaches for various clients
- How to identify situations where animal visits are not appropriate
- Common concerns of health-care and human services professionals about AAA and AAT and how to address them
- How to get started in various kinds of facilities (hospitals, care centers, rehab centers and more)

**PAYMENT:** Go to our website <https://www.midsouththerapydogs.org> and then to the top right to the BLUE DONATE BOX. You can scan the Venmo code or click on the DONATE box under the “Together We Achieve” and use your credit card. We do accept checks but have found the mail to be very unreliable. If you are sending a check use the address below.

Mailing address for checks: Mid South Therapy Dogs 2095 Exeter Road, Suite 80-105 Germantown, TN 38138

Check the session that you would like to attend. If you have questions about the sessions please call 901. 336.0351.

Introductory Seminar \$35

Team Training Workshop ONE \$50

BOTH Introductory Seminar Zoom AND Team Training Workshop ONE \$85

Once we receive your fee and registration form you will be sent via email & WE Transfer- an Introductory Seminar Packet. If you have also signed up for the Workshop ONE you will receive a Workshop ONE Packet as well.

Name:

Address, City, State, Zip:

Phone:

E: mail:

Animal's Name/Breed/Sex/Age:

I understand that payment is due in advance. I indemnify and hold Mid South Therapy Dogs & Friends, Intermountain Therapy Animals, evaluators, assistants, sponsoring organizations(s), and facility owner(s) harmless from and against all claims, losses, liabilities, and damage to persons or property, governmental charges or fines, and attorneys' fees arising out of the acts or omissions of evaluations including, but not limited to interactions with evaluators, assistants, handlers, or animals, screening or demonstrations involving my or others' animals; or transportation of my animal to or from the training/evaluation site or within the training/evaluation site.

Signature:

Date:

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