

Velma 'Pets As Therapy' Training School

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"Enriching the lives of people and pets by bringing them together safely and respectfully for mutual benefits."

VELMA'S PETS AS THERAPY FOUNDATION COURSE

Lesson 1 – Pets As Therapy Operations

**Tried and tested ways to Commence, Present, Develop, Market,
Monitor, Manage and Offer a Safe and Successful Pets As Therapy Service**



If you want to succeed in Pets As Therapy, you couldn't be in better hands!

This course will fully benefit and be highly valuable to anyone considering commencing, presenting developing, marketing, monitoring and managing, successful Pets As Therapy.

Contact us at any time during or after the course. You have our full support!

This course includes our 'tried and tested', successful, Pet Therapy operational methods for

- **Volunteers at health care facilities, schools, groups or with individuals.**
- **Professionals, psychiatrists / counselors, therapists, teachers, ministers, doctors, carers, and anyone wanting to take their pet to a work place to enhance their work.**
- **Therapists and people wanting to start their own Pets As Therapy business or charity.**

Some headings and some pics from Lesson 1

Including discussions, suggestions and protocols, working documents, templates and forms -

- **Introducing this course and Velma Violet Harris the author.**
- **Important, valuable and essential, check lists and templates for - health & safety, duty of care, infection control, legal and insurance, operational documents and forms.**
- **Getting an official business number, registering your business name, copyright, intellectual property and logo.**
- **Applying to be a not-for profit entity or charity.**
- **Stationery, printing and uniforms.**
- **Developing a Pets As Therapy team.**
- **How to avoid accidents and injuries to pets and clients.**
- **Pet and pet handler uniforms / clothing / equipment.**
- **Monitoring your Pets As Therapy service.**
- **Managing requests for your service - Customer Pets As Therapy Request Application Form.**

- **Program Induction – given prior to offering your Pets Therapy service to a location -
Work, Health & Safety, Infection Control, Safe Pet Handling, Risk Assessment - Location Program Induction Checklist.**
- **Monitoring the benefits and managing of your Pets As Therapy service -
The Pets As Therapy Service Report.**
- **COVID 19 and attending high risk locations.**
- **Insurance issues.**
- **Legal issues.**
- **Managing accidents or incidents whilst offering Pets As Therapy.**
- **Writing an operations manual.**
- **Complaining of apparent abuse or neglect of clients / residents / patients.**
- **What to charge for your Pets As Therapy service.**
- **Possible start up and monthly costings.**
- **Tax, accounting and cash flow management.**
- **Advertising, promoting and marketing your Pets As Therapy service.**
- **Learning essential safe and respectful pet / client interaction and handling protocols.**
- **How to set yourself up for a successful consultation with groups or individuals.**
- **Conclusion.**
- **Private pet and pet handler mentoring and consultations by Velma**

Downloads

- **Operational work documents, checklists, templates and forms -
Ready for you to edit and add your own logo, details and information.**
- **Customer Pets As Therapy Request Application Form (form template).**

- **Customer Program Induction (checklist template) – given prior to offering your Pets Therapy service to a location including Work, Health & Safety, Infection Control, Safe Pet Handling, Risk Assessment.**
- **Pets As Therapy COVID-19 Safety Protocols (checklist template).**
- **The Pets As Therapy Service Report (form template) – for monitoring and managing your service including Work, Health & Safety, Infection Control, Safe Pet Handling, Risk Assessment, Insurance and Legal issues.**



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Lesson 2 - Training a Pets As Therapy pet and pet handler

This lesson is designed to support our Pets As Therapy training film by giving you clear protocols and lessons, to prepare, learn, and train YOURSELF and your PET.

Downloads

- **Good Manners Dog Training E-manual**
- **Role play checklist – visiting any location and a client walking the dog**
- **List of interactive tricks and games**
- **Pet Veterinarian Assessment Check List**

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- **List of usual requirements for a pet and pet handler, to enter a health facility or public building for the purpose of Pets As Therapy / Animal Assisted Therapy.**
- **Please obtain the following equipment.**
- **Training role play.**
- **The safe and respectful, pet / client interaction protocol.**
- **How much training, and how often, is required of the pet and pet handler?**
- **Pets As Therapy requires highly skilled pet handlers.**
- **Videos – to watch.**

- **Velma's Pets As Therapy safe and respectful meet and greet protocols for Pets As Therapy visitors.**
- **Pre-visit risk check list.**
- **Health and safety and when to sanitise hands.**
- **Effective and accurate report writing.**
- **Role play work sheets.**
- **The pet's happiness, comfort, safety and respect has top priority at all times.**
- **Role play training safe and respectful pet / client interactions.**



Protecting feet protocols.



Safely placing pets on beds.



Walking the dog is popular - safe and respectful protocols.



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Lesson 3 – Revision and test quizzes

In this final lesson we use the training film coupled with 3 assessment quizzes.

This lesson offers the opportunity for revision and to develop new skills via critical thinking and problem solving scenarios to potential risk situations.

Simply ensure you are logged into the website and follow the prompts for each quiz.

Successfully completing the 3 quizzes will result in an automatic course completion certificate.

You can take these quizzes as many times as necessary to reach the required pass rate.

Happy learning!

Velma

Are you ready to roll?

Please go to our website, log in and enroll.



Velma and Kitty