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Powell River Therapeutic Riding Association
4356 Myrtle Avenue
Powell River, B.C. V8A 0T2

Notice to Physicians

Client's Name and Phone Number: _____

Please mail this completed form to Powell River Therapeutic Riding at the above address or FAX: 604-485-0178.

Contraindications to Therapeutic Riding

Orthopaedic

Acute herniated disk
Atlanto-axial instability
Coxa arthrosis (degeneration of the hip joint) or dislocation, subluxation or dysplasia of hip
Osteoporosis (severe)
Pathological fractures (eg. –osteogenesis imperfecta)
Spinal fusion, organic or operative (eg. –Harrington rods)
Spondylolisthesis
Structural scoliosos greater than 25 – 30 degrees or excessive kyphosis or lordosis;
hemivertebrae
Unstable spine including subluxation (partial dislocation) of the cervical vertebrae.
Heterotopic ossification

Medical

Acute stage of arthritis
Anti-coagulant medication
CVA - Secondary to unclipped aneurysm, or presence of other aneurysms
- Secondary to angioma that was not totally resected
Drug dosages causing physical states inappropriate to riding environment
Craniotomy
Exacerbation of multiple sclerosis
Hemophilia
Open sores and/or wounds on contact surfaces
Uncontrolled seizures

Other

Any patient you are not completely (competent/safe) treating
Complete quadriplegia secondary to spinal cord injury
Moderate agitation with severe confusion/gross disruptive behaviour
Recent surgery
Weight Limit: 180 lbs.

Physician's Referral

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Care Card Number: _____ Parent/Legal Guardian: _____

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Diagnosis: _____ Date of Onset: _____

Medical History: _____

Weight: _____ (Please note we do have a weight limit – Max. is 180lbs)

Psychological: _____

Medications: _____

Allergies: _____

Visual Limitations: _____ Auditory Limitations: _____

Speech Limitations: _____

Circulation: _____ Neuro Sensation: _____

Balance: _____ Co-Ordination: _____

Spasticity and/or Rigidity: _____

Physician's Prescription for Therapeutic Horseback Riding and, where appropriate, for evaluation and treatment by a Physical/Occupational Therapist.

Precautions: _____

Physician's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please Print: Physician's Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Re-evaluation by physician may be necessary. If yes, please give date for re-evaluation.

Medical History

Problem	Yes	No	If Yes, Describe
Neurological Seizures			Controlled (Yes ___ No ___ Last Seizure Type
Hydrocephalus			
Sensory Loss			
Muscular			
Contractures			
Skeletal			
Subluxing hips			
Dislocating hips			
Spinal Laminectomy			
Scoliosis			Degree, type, last X-ray
Kyphosis, Lordosis			Degree, type
Spondylosis			
Osteoporosis			
Heterotrophic Ossif.			
Arthrodesis			
Fractures			Locations, Healed?
Other or Special Precautions			

Mobility Status:

Can the student ambulate: Yes: ___ No: ___

Assistance: Independent _____ Minimal _____ Moderate _____ Maximal _____

One person assist _____ Two person assist _____

Physical Aids: Canes _____ Crutches _____ Walker _____ Rolling Walker _____

Braces (type) _____

Other (i.e. Splints) describe _____

Does the student use a wheelchair? If Yes, Type _____

Can the student propel the wheelchair? _____

Please describe any additional information that might help us to work with this student.

Thank-you for your time. (Use the back of this page if more space is required.)

Physician's Signature: _____ Name (please print): _____

Phone: _____

Date: _____