

Welcome to BEATS, Inc! It is our mission to provide the highest level of therapy specializing in equine assisted therapy to help your child reach his/her goals. Attached is the necessary paperwork to get started, including the physician's prescription and registration packet. You will need to have these forms completed in full and signed prior to starting. Please also bring your child's current PT, OT, SLP evaluations and IEP if applicable.

Please note that your first visit is an evaluation to determine if the use of equine movement may be beneficial to your child's goals. If your child has significant physical or behavioral needs, we may determine that this environment is not suitable. We consider whether we have an appropriate mount, the safety of the horse and volunteers, and if the therapist feels safe in handling any potential issues that may arise. We may offer to continue on a trial basis. Regardless of acceptance or how long your child is part of our program, safety of your child as well as the entire team is of utmost importance and it is the sole decision of the treating therapist to determine if services are not appropriate or no longer so.

Fees for therapy are \$200 per hour and are billed to insurance as applicable. A reduced rate is also offered for private pay and you will be given all notes and billing information to submit yourself. There is a barn fee of \$100/month that is the responsibility of the client and is not billable to insurance. Please see the enclosed information regarding the barn fee.

We are located at 75 Red Gate Trail in Canton and have an enclosed arena so sessions are held year round. Your child will be required to wear a helmet. We have helmets to borrow and know of several resources for inexpensive ones if you prefer. Please dress your child appropriately for the weather. Shorts are fine in warm weather. In cold weather please use layers and avoid bulky clothing that inhibits movement or obscures posture. Also, avoid nylon pants as they are slippery.

Please give as much notice as possible if you need to cancel your session as changes affect our volunteer scheduling as well as horse scheduling. While the primary focus is utilizing the horse's movement, therapy will include off horse activities and assessment as appropriate.

Please help us in enforcing the rules of the barn for the safety of everyone at the facility.

- 1. Siblings need to stay with an adult at all times.
- 2. Please stay in our area of the barn. Children can play on the swing set if an adult is present. For your comfort, there is also a lounge overlooking the arena. Children must be supervised and please help in keeping that common area clean.
- 3. There are to be no loud noises or horseplay.
- 4. Please do not feed or pet any horses without permission.
- 5. Please do not use a flash camera without permission.
- 6. Please respect the other patrons that share this facility with us.

Please fill out the attached registration form. You can e-sign it (you must have adobe reader which is a free program) or print, sign and email the form directly to your therapist or to bethany@beats-inc.org. Please print the two informational pages, sign them and bring them to your first visit. The attached prescription will need to be signed by your doctor and emailed with the registration form or brought to your first visit. Once we have your registration packet to verify benefits, we can get your child scheduled! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 404-644-3917. I look forward to meeting you!

Sincerely,	
Bethany Nugent, MSPT, HPCS	
I have received and read the above document	
	Parent/Guardian of:
	Date: