



# Information for Potential Therapeutic Participants

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## HORSEMANSHIP LESSONS

For individuals who may wish to learn and interact with the horses but not learn to ride or drive, we offer horsemanship lessons.

Lessons are private at a cost of \$20 per lesson for 30 minutes and delivered in sessions of 8 weeks.

## THERAPEUTIC RIDING LESSONS

Lessons are 45 minutes long and include 30 mins of mounted activities, and 15 minutes on the ground learning how to care for the horse (this is optional and encouraged at no additional cost)

Lessons are semi private at a cost of \$35 per lesson and delivered in sessions of 8 weeks.

Limited private lessons at a cost of \$70 per lesson

## THERAPEUTIC DRIVING LESSONS

Lessons are 45 minutes long and include 30 minutes of driving activities, and 15 minutes on the ground learning how to care for the horse (this is optional and encouraged at no additional cost)

Our cart is wheelchair accessible

Lessons are private at a cost of \$35 per lesson and delivered in sessions of 8

The process for new therapeutic participants entering the program:

1. All paperwork must be completed
2. Contact Angie ([weride@equineabilityniagara.com](mailto:weride@equineabilityniagara.com)) once all paperwork is completed, she will meet potential riders with their parents, caregivers etc to talk about goals, specifics and availability.
3. Registration into next available session

In order to ensure the safety of our participants, horses and volunteers the participants with the following can not participate in mounted (riding) activities (however they may be able to participate in other horse relate activities)

- Riders weighing more than 175 lbs
- Spinal cord paralysis above mid thoracic
- Persons with Harrington rods
- Spondylothesis
- Scolosis 30 degrees or greater
- Prolapsed intervertebral disc
- Acute arthritis (rheumatoid)
- Subluxation or dislocation of hip
- Atlantoaxial instability
- Haemophilia

## INCLEMENT WEATHER

Lessons will continue in the barn focusing on horsemanship and safety around horses. Only one lesson out of four will be substituted this way. (following that, lessons cancelled due to inclement weather will be made up at the end of the session or money forwarded to next session). Cancellations will be communicated through email and facebook.

## ATTENDANCE POLICY

There will be NO make up lessons  
There will be NO reimbursement for cancelled lessons  
However, if there is a day that your rider will be absent you will not be billed for that lesson if *EquineAbility* is notified at the time of registration for that session.

## PAYMENT POLICY

Riders will receive invoices one week prior to the start of a session and it is asked that the invoice is paid in full before the first lesson.

*EquineAbility* will still receive payment directly from a funding source if:

the payment will be received in less than 3 months from the funding source

*EquineAbility* is notified before the start of the session that payment will be coming from a funding source