

Faculty :

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Claudia Morin, MHE, OTR/L, HPCS has a Master of Health Education degree in Occupational Therapy with over 30 years of experience in Occupational Therapy which includes direct service, academic teaching and consultation. She is in private practice and is President of CTM Occupational Therapy, LLC, specializing in the treatment of children with sensory processing disorders. Claudia is the founder & president of Blue Ribbon Riders, Inc., a Hippotherapy/Equine Assisted Activities Program located in Grovetown, Georgia serving the Central Savannah River Area since 1982.

Claudia is a PATH Intl. Certified Riding Instructor, Hippotherapy Clinical Specialist and a PATH Intl. Registered Therapist. Claudia attended the Classic Hippotherapy Course held in Wilbad, West Germany in 1987 and participated in the development of the AHA Hippotherapy Courses. In 1991, Claudia received the James Brady Professional Achievement Award from PATH Intl. She was recently recognized by the American Hippotherapy Association as the 2009 Therapist of the Year. Claudia uses a variety of teaching strategies in her courses and encourages active involvement of the participants. She adds the occupational therapy perspective to the clinical reasoning aspects of the course content.



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This course is required for registration with the American Hippotherapy Association, Inc.



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Path Intl Registered Therapist Status

**Equine Skills-Level I
Hippotherapy
Treatment Principles-
Level I**



May 21-24, 2012

Monday-Thursday

**Located in
Georgetown, Texas**

512-930-7625

Equine Skills Level I

May 21 8:30AM - 5:30 PM

May 22 8:30AM - 2:30 PM

Course Objectives

- Correctly interpret the “body language” of the horse.
- Identify and name key anatomical points of the horse.
- Recognize elements of desirable conformation of the horse.
- Identify, describe the function of, and demonstrate proper use of grooming equipment.
- Identify key parts of the horse’s tack.
- Demonstrate safe and proper tacking and un-tacking of a horse.
- Recognize and describe the four natural gaits of the horse.
- Recognize unsoundness in a moving horse.
- Recognize the signs of stress/burnout in the horse
- Demonstrate safe, correct leading techniques with basic school figures.
- Demonstrate kind and humane treatment of the horse at all times.
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PLEASE NOTE: This course is mandatory to become eligible for Path Intl Registered Therapist status; however, therapists may waive the Level 1 Equine Skills Course if they have documentation of horse skill such as Pony Club Levels, Path Intl Registered Instructor, USDF Bronze medal. In addition, a therapist may submit a skills list, signed by a horse professional, which shows basic equine skills. This form can be obtained from the faculty and will be reviewed by faculty to determine if Level 1 Equine Skills can be waived. Contact **Claudia Morin @ cmorin515@aol.com** for more information.

Hippotherapy Treatment Principles Level 1

May 22 6:00 PM– 8:00PM

May 23 8:30AM - 5:30 PM

May 24 8:30AM - 5:30 PM

Course Objectives

- Know and understand the definition of Hippotherapy and the roles of the team members.
- Understand how the horse’s movement affects human systems, A System’s Approach.
- Describe possible responses of a patient to the movement of the horse’s walk.
- Describe the unique contributions of the horse’s movement as a treatment strategy and potential benefit for the patient.
- Understand the importance of the hippotherapy horse’s suitability and movement.
- Describe the appropriate methods of horse handling during hippotherapy.
- Describe the selection and use of hippotherapy equipment for the horse and patient.
- Identify all factors that contribute to safety in the hippotherapy session.
- Identify key considerations for patient selection for hippotherapy, including specific contraindications and precautions.
- Describe the key elements of patient evaluation and treatment planning.
- Describe methods of maximizing effects of hippotherapy, including school figures and movement progressions.
- Describe safe methods of transitioning on and off the horse.
- Have a working knowledge of potential emergencies and appropriate procedures.
- Understand the business aspects related to hippotherapy including documentation, record keeping, reimbursement issues, and insurance.

Registration includes manual, lunch and snacks during breaks.

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Professional Affiliation: _____

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AHA Member # _____

AHA Membership: \$25 coupon toward workshop

Workshop Fees:

Equine Skills Workshop Only:

\$375 Early Registration (\$475 Non-Members)

\$425 Received after April 16, 2012 (\$525 Non-Members)

Treatment Principles Workshop Only:

\$375 Early Registration (\$475 Non-Members)

\$425 Received after April 16, 2012 (\$525 Non-Members)

Both Workshops:

\$700 Early Registration (\$800 Non-Members)

\$750 received after April 16, 2012 (\$850 Non-Members)

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Cancellation Policy:

Refund less \$150 processing fee prior to April 16, 2012.

No Refunds after April 16, 2012 unless the course is cancelled.

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