



How to Prepare for a Therapy Visit to Your Facility

We are so excited to bring our mini horse to visit you! Please read this letter carefully so you are prepared to have the best visit possible.

Before the Visit:

- Schedule a time for a Mini Whinny representative to visit your facility to see the space where the visit will be taking place and to discuss logistics and safety.
- Distribute Mini Whinny's "Participant Agreement, Release, and Assumption of Risk" form to all those who plan to participate in the visit. This form will need to be signed by the participant or the participant's legal guardian prior to the visit in order to participate. The signed forms will be collected by a Mini Whinny representative the day of the visit.
- Assign a person from your facility to serve as an escort to be present at all times in the room where the horse and handler are during the visit.

During the Visit:

- Plan to arrange seating so there is enough space between each resident to allow the horse to move freely in between each resident in a group setting.
- The person assigned as the facility escort will need to remain with the horse and handler for the entirety of the visit.
- Participants are expected to remain seated during the visit and wait for the horse to be brought to them by the handler. The facility escort will need to help ensure participants remain seated.
- The handler will present the horse to the side of each resident for them to pet and interact with the horse one-on-one.

- The horse will wear a potty bag the entirety of the visit but may need to briefly exit the facility for a quick potty break during the visit.
- A visit will typically last 30 to 60 minutes, depending on the number of participants.
- During the colder months, please note that we will not bathe the horse prior to the visit but will clean the horse to the best of our abilities due to the weather circumstances.
- Mini Whinny Therapy Horses is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization. We do not require a payment to visit your facility, however we greatly appreciate any donation you are able to make! All donations go directly to pay for our equine liability insurance and care of our therapy horses so that we can continue to make visits. We suggest a donation of \$50 per visit, but we welcome any donation no matter how small.

Let us know if you have any questions prior to your visit. We look forward to seeing you soon!

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