



New England Pet Partners, Inc.

*Bringing People and Pets Together to Enhance Well-Being and education
with Pet-Assisted Therapy*

New England Pet Partners, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) charity, volunteer focused organizations that provides Pet-Assisted Activities, Pet-Assisted Therapy Services and Reading Education Assistance Dog Teams.

NEPP is an affiliate of Delta Society Pet Partners[®], www.deltasociety.org and R.E.A.D. www.therapyanimals.org.

*a Smile, a Word, a Laugh, a Deep Breath, a Hand reaching,
a Trust, a Step Forward, a Sense of self Worth, Well Being,
a Small Change Makes a Big Difference ~*

Volunteer Teams are trained and evaluated by Delta Society Licensed Team Evaluators. R.E.A.D. Teams must accomplish an additional training with the R.E.A.D. training manual and/or workshop. Teams are screened on appropriate skills and aptitude that determines the best setting for a team to visit safely and effectively. Teams generally visit in hospitals, nursing homes, assisted-living, schools, private practice and other facilities their assistance and companionship is requested.

The following is an at-a-glance look at the difference between Activities and Therapy.

Activities	Therapy
Casual “meet and greet” activities that involve pets visiting people ...	Significant part of treatment planning for people who are physically, socially, emotionally or cognitively challenged.
No specific treatment goals planned.	Stated goals for each session.
Detailed notes unnecessary.	Individual treatment for each patient.
Visit content is spontaneous.	Visit scheduled, usually at set intervals.
Visit can be s long or short as desired.	Length of visit is pre-determined to best fit needs of patient.
Example: Pet Partner Team visits during community time at a local nursing, or cancer unit at a hospital monthly. Team visits school or library for activities to improve reading and communication skills.	Example: Pet Partner Team works with health care professional (physical, occupational, psychotherapist, school counselors) to assist patient in movement, cognitive or emotional development / recovery.
Visits are usually free, unless provided by a private organization covering their own insurance, expenses, etc.	Visits usually incur a fee-for-service from a qualified professional, offering times, dates and adjunct treatment planning.