



HORSE BY NORTHWEST EQUINE MASSAGE

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Terms and Conditions

- Equine massage is not a substitute for veterinary care. An equine massage practitioner cannot diagnose or treat illness or injury. If you believe that your equine is ill or injured, please contact a veterinarian for evaluation prior to massage.
- While every care is taken of the equine undergoing treatment, it is done so entirely at their guardian's risk.
- Equines with infectious or contagious conditions will not be treated. Guardians are required to notify Horse by Northwest immediately if their equine has been diagnosed with or is suspected to have an infectious or contagious condition.
- Guardians are required to notify Horse by Northwest if, during a course of massage sessions, the equine's injury or conditions worsen, or if the veterinarian advises that massage should be stopped or suspended.
- Horse by Northwest does not take any responsibility for accident/injury sustained by the equine's handler during a massage session.
- Horse by Northwest cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to vehicles or personal property while on business/institute premises.
- Horse by Northwest reserves the right to use video footage and/or photographic stills taken during massage sessions.
- Cancellation Policy: Any sessions cancelled by the equine's guardian with less than 24 hours notice may be subject to a cancellation fee equal to the total cost of the session.

Guiding Principles

Adapted from the Reiki Code of Ethics, created by SARA President Kathleen Prasad

- I work in partnership with my equine clients. They are equal partners in the healing process, and I allow them to guide each session.
- I always ask permission of the equine before beginning and respect their decision to accept or refuse any treatment. I listen intuitively and observe the equine's body language in determining the response. If necessary, another session may be scheduled.
- I honor equines as being not only my clients, but also my teachers in the journey of healing.
- I dedicate myself to the virtues of humility, integrity, compassion, and gratitude in my practice.
- I continually educate myself to maintain and enhance my professional competence so that I uphold the integrity of the profession.
- I work to create professional alliances and cooperative relationships with other massage practitioners, animal health-care providers, and animal welfare organizations in my community.
- I consider myself an ally to the veterinary and animal health community. I work to support their efforts in achieving equine wellness and balance. I honor other disciplines and their practitioners, and encourage collaboration among equine professionals.