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### **Job Description – Therapeutic Riding Instructor**

Chesapeake Therapeutic Riding, Inc. (CTR) is seeking a Therapeutic Riding Instructor to join our dynamic team. This position will be responsible for providing onsite support as a certified therapeutic riding instructor or instructor in training as required by the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH). Reporting to the Program Manager, the Certified Therapeutic Riding Instructor will carry out the duties as required for the instructors, instructors-in-training and lesson volunteers.

CTR founded in 2003 and located in Street, Maryland, is a non-profit organization and Premier Accredited Center of PATH International. CTR provides a fun and unique healing experience through our therapeutic riding program for children and adults with special needs. Through the kindness of benefactors, volunteers and horses, CTR's riders and families find hope, growth and compassion. Our mission is to encourage healing and celebrate life with individuals and groups whose minds, bodies and spirits will benefit from the transformative connection between people and horses. Our vision is to establish CTR as the premier equine-based, therapeutic healing and recreation center in the Mid-Atlantic region.

#### **Responsibilities:**

- Communicate with volunteers and instructors regarding volunteer needs for lessons;
- Provide training and support for instructors-in-training and volunteers;
- Maintain certification compliance; and
- Report any needs to the Program Manager.

Education: Bachelor's Degree preferred

#### **Qualifications:**

- Must be a member of PATH International Certified Therapeutic Riding Instructor (advanced level instructor certification strongly preferred) or actively pursuing certification as an instructor in training.
- Experience in managing volunteers and working with both physical and cognitive disabilities. Must possess strong leadership, client relationship and solid organizational skills.
- High energy, positive, "can-do" attitude, flexibility, teamwork, and attention to detail; high degree of initiative and problem solving skills
- Prior experience in horseback riding lesson instruction necessary

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- Must be able to demonstrate proficiency of horse care and behavior
- Strong verbal and written communications skills
- Able to use Microsoft Word and Excel
- Demonstrated ability to think proactively and thorough understanding of CTR's horse care procedures

Requirements:

- 15-20 hours per week.
- Candidate must be available to work evenings and weekends.

Hourly Rate: \$18 to \$20 per hour

CANDIDATE SELECTED FOR POSITION MUST PERFORM ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS WITH OR WITHOUT REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION. CANDIDATE MUST ALSO PASS A CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECK.

Please send resume with cover letter to the address below:

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