# RHYTHM OF THE REIN THERAPEUTIC RIDING AND DRIVING PROGRAM





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#### PRECAUTIONS AND CONTRAINDICATIONS FOR MOUNTED ACTIVITIES

While a contraindication may rule out mounted activities, there may still be suitable program offerings. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns you might have Thank you.

### PRIMARY MEDICAL CONDITIONS THAT MAY BENEFIT:

TBI, MS, CVA, FUNCTIONAL SPINAL CURVATURE, PTSD, AMPUTATION, ARTHRITIS, SPINAL CORD INJURY, CP, AUTISM, ANXIETY, DEPRESSION

### PRECAUTIONS -

Abnormal fatigue allergies to horse hair, hay, dust, mold

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Diabetes heterotrophic issification

Hydrocephalus Incontinence

Peripheral vascular disease osteoporosis/osteopenia Recent surgery sensory impairments

Shunts(s) tethered cord

Substance abuse hip dislocation/subluxation/dysplasia

History of skin breakdown or graft over bony or wt bearing areas

Obesity where combined wt of rider & tack exceed 20% of wt of horse

## CONTRAINDICATIONS -

Acute herniated disc atlanto-axial instability
Coxa arthrosis severe osteoporosis

Pathological fractures spinal fusion – organic or surgical (Harrington

rods)

Spondylolisthesis unstable spine (including cervical subluxation)

Acute arthritis flare RA with cervical instability

MS exacerbation hemophila

Uncontrolled seizures complete quadriplegia d/t SCI

CVA d/t unclipped aneurism or presence of other aneuryms

Open pressure sores or wounds on contact surfaces

Mental states of agitation, confusion or disruptive behaviors inappropriate for safety in riding environment