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**Animal-Assisted Therapy in Counseling** Academic Press  
 The use of animals by psychotherapists has been a growing trend. Psychological problems treated include emotional and behavioral problems, attachment issues, trauma, and developmental disorders. An influential 1970s survey suggests that over 20 percent of therapists in the psychotherapy division of the American Psychological Association incorporated animals into their treatment in some fashion. Anecdotal evidence suggests that the number is much higher today. Since Yeshiva psychologist Boris Levinson popularized the use of animals in the 1960s, Israel has come to be perhaps the most advanced country in the world in the area of animal-assisted psychotherapy (AAP). This is true especially in the area of training programs, theory-building, and clinical practice. Great effort has been put into understanding the mechanisms behind AAP, as well as into developing ethical guidelines that take into account the therapist's responsibility toward both client and animal. This book exposes the world to the theory and practice of AAP as conceived and used in Israel. It emphasizes evidence-based and clinically sound applications, differentiating between AAP, a psychotherapeutic approach, and AAE (animal-assisted education) and AAA (animal-assisted activities), both of which are psychoeducational. Not anyone and his/her dog can become an animal-assisted therapist, and this volume demonstrates not only the promise of animal-assisted psychotherapeutic approaches, but also some of the challenges the field still needs to overcome to gain widespread legitimacy.  
**Animal-Assisted Therapy** \*Howell Book House  
 An excellent resource for pet therapy teams, educators, and therapists, this text presents clearly outlined instructions with educational and clinical application suggestions from a pioneer in the area of pet therapy.  
**How to Get Involved In Animal-Assisted Therapy With Any Kind of Pet** Elsevier  
 Discover How Animal Assisted Therapy Can Help You Lose Weight, Overcome Phobias, Treat Your Addictions AND Help You Take Responsibility For Your Life In A Positive, Non-Invasive And Easy-To-Follow Way! Did you know pets have been used as powerful therapy and healing for centuries? The human animal bond has existed since the dawn of time, something the ancient's used for centuries to promote natural healing and self-discovery. Animals are more than simple creatures - they are therapy providers and healers with the ability to light up the lives of those who benefit supportive embrace. Animal assisted therapy will change the way you think about your pet, and just about any animal, forever.\*  
 Discover how to take charge of your life and responsibility for

your actions in 1 easy step... \* Uncover the top 10 mental & psychological benefits of pet therapy PROVEN through years of research and scientific analysis into the benefits of animal assisted therapy... \* Find out what and where the top 3 National Organizations are supporting AAT programs and how you can connect with them to start making positive changes in your life today... \* Learn about 7 little-known resources you can use to find an AAT program that specializes in the types of treatment you want located in YOUR hometown... \* Find out what your doctor might NOT be telling you about the benefits of AAT, and how AAT may be MORE effective at helping you conquer depression, anxiety, addictions and loneliness than counseling or medications alone...

### **Complementary Therapies for the Body, Mind and Soul** BoD – Books on Demand

Occupational therapy is a health care specialty with a deep focus on client-centered and holistic rehabilitation to improve the individual's occupational performance, quality of life and well-being through participation in meaningful and purposeful activities. This new book presents the importance of the therapeutic and creative use of activity in different populations, which is one of the core components of occupational therapy. Rehabilitation, rehabilitation delivery and outcomes are affected by recent changes in the meaning of health and social values. This resulted in an increasing necessity for therapeutic therapy, as well as creative use of activity in occupational therapy. This book focuses on recent advances in occupational therapy and reviews current practical guidelines. It introduces updated knowledge and skills for children, adults and the communities, including physical, mental, social, sensory, behavioral, environmental and community-based interventions to prevent, promote and improve activity use. The book will be relevant to occupational therapists, speech and language therapists, physical therapists, psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers and all the members of interdisciplinary rehabilitation team care workers.  
**Unleashing the healing power of animals** Routledge  
 This book will provide the reader with a well rounded understanding of animal-assisted therapy, or "pet therapy." Animal-assisted therapy is a therapeutic tool that is used to facilitate the client's treatment and recovery process. Some of the people who will benefit from reading this book include counselors, school counselors, social workers, educators, students, and anyone interested in animal-assisted therapy. Teachers may implement this book in their instructional materials. Authors, books, journals, articles, and resources have been consolidated into a descriptive designed graduate level thesis. There is a detailed table of contents that will allow the reader to quickly access the section he or she is looking for. A glossary consisting of animal-assisted therapy topics is provided. This book reads

easily and will engage the reader. Ways to integrate land and marine mammals into the client's treatment will be shown, as well as kinds of land and marine mammals to be utilized. Animal-assisted therapy may be utilized with many clinical diagnoses and therapeutic issues. There are many types of facilities that may benefit from animal-assisted therapy. Examples and further explanation will be given addressing these topics. Basic tenets, ethical issues, and certification will be explained. Within the helping professions, ethics are vital and certification has become mandatory in many states. The needs of the client, the clinician, and the animal will be discussed. Benefits of animal-assisted therapy will be included. Resources that will facilitate the implementation of animal-assisted therapy will be shown. The reader who would like to pursue animal-assisted therapy in further detail will be given additional resources. The goal of this descriptive designed graduate level thesis was to consolidate many good works into one book. As time advances, the material presented in this book will continue to be useful.

### **Handbook on Animal-Assisted Therapy** Jessica Kingsley Publishers

Handbook on Animal-Assisted Therapy: Foundations and Guidelines for Animal-Assisted Interventions, Fifth Edition highlights advances in the field, with seven new chapters and revisions to over 75% of the material. This book will help therapists discover the benefits of incorporating animal assisted therapy into their practice, how to design and implement animal assisted interventions, and the efficacy of animal assisted therapy with different disorders and patient populations. Coverage includes the use of AAT with children, families and the elderly, in counseling and psychotherapy settings, and for treating a variety of specific disorders. Contains seven new chapters in addition to 75% new or revised material Includes guidelines and best practices for using animals as therapeutic companions Addresses specific types of patients and environmental situations Includes AAI working with cats, dogs, birds, and horses Discusses why animals are used in therapy, as well as how  
**Paws & Effect** Saunders

The original edition was the first book to provide a comprehensive overview of the ways in which animals can assist therapists with treatment of specific populations, and/or in specific settings. The second edition continues in this vein, with 7 new chapters plus substantial revisions of continuing chapters as the research in this field has grown. New coverage includes: Animals as social supports, Use of AAT with Special Needs students, the role of animals in the family- insights for clinicians, and measuring the animal-person bond. \*Contributions from veterinarians, animal trainers, psychologists, and social workers \*Includes guidelines and best practices for using animals as therapeutic companions \*Addresses specific types of patients and environmental



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*Process, Perspectives, and Benefits of Animal Assisted Therapy*  
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*The Benefits of Using Animal Assisted Therapy in an Art Therapy Setting* Routledge

Handbook on Animal-Assisted Therapy Theoretical Foundations and Guidelines for Practice Elsevier

*Social, Emotional, and Cognitive Benefits of Animal-assisted Therapy for Students with Disabilities* Purdue University Press  
Reliable information on the benefits and uses of Animal Assisted Therapy (AAT) is minimal. Many studies that have evaluated the implications for AAT have been descriptive and anecdotal in nature rather than quantitative, and those who have used a quantitative method have typically had very small, non-random samples of participants. This makes it very difficult to generalize the resulting benefits to a larger population. The main objective of this critical review is to analyze the implications for the use of AAT with individuals from a variety of populations. A secondary objective is to determine what types of animals work most effectively with specific populations receiving Animal Assisted Therapy. The available research suggests that AAT has both physiological and psychological benefits for individuals with a variety of impairments or disabilities. This review of the literature focuses on the use of AAT with children and adolescents, older adults, individuals with developmental and physical impairments, the mentally ill, and the incarcerated. In order to determine which animals are most effective with individuals from specific populations, more research comparing the effects of different animals on these populations needs to be done.

*Coercive Treatment in Psychiatry* Charles C Thomas Pub Limited  
This book looks at how therapies involving animals can be used to help individuals with autism to develop skills and improve quality of life. Pavlides relates the success stories of different animal-assisted interventions. She emphasizes the importance of tailoring interventions to the specific needs of the individual and monitoring progress.

*A Look at the Benefits of Integrating Therapy Dogs Into the Treatment of Adult Women Suffering from Sexual Assault Related PTSD* BoD - Books on Demand

Animal Assisted Therapy in Counseling is the most comprehensive book available dedicated to training mental health practitioners in Animal Assisted Therapy (AAT). It explains the history and practice of AAT in counseling, discusses the latest empirical research, and provides an in-depth explanation of the psychodynamics of AAT within various theoretical frameworks. Readers will learn the proper way to select, train, and evaluate an animal for therapy. The use of a number of different therapy animals is considered, including dogs, cats, horses, birds, farm animals, rabbits and other small animals, and dolphins. Guidelines for implementing AAT in settings such as private practices, community agencies, schools, hospices, and prisons are covered, as well as ethical and legal considerations, risk management, diversity issues, and crisis and disaster response applications. Numerous case examples illustrate the use of AAT principles with clients, and forms, client handouts, and other resources provide valuable tools. This unique resource is an indispensable guide for any counselor looking to develop and implement AAT techniques in his or her practice.

*Pet-oriented Child Psychotherapy* Routledge

Dogs have always been our friends and changed our lives for the better. But they may save our lives as well. Seamlessly weaving scientific research with compelling narrative, *Paws & Effect* tells incredibly moving stories of beloved pets who have supported their people through periods of ill health and other crises—with miraculous results: \*Little Ben, a Chihuahua who can sense impending epileptic seizures \*Abdul, a Golden Retriever/Lab mix, who was the world's first service dog and helped his owner by retrieving keys and phones, medicine from countertops, water from the refrigerator, and could even hand in credit cards at the grocery store \*A Dalmation named Trudii, whose obsessive behavior prompted her owner to seek a medical examination that revealed melanoma

*Clinical Approaches to Zoonoses, Toxicants, and Other Shared Health Risks* Taylor & Francis

Ten animals - nine non-human and one human - take you on ten journeys, where, in each case, an animal in need of rescue overcomes their issues and goes on to help people overcome theirs. Dale Preece-Kelly, an Animal Assisted Therapy Practitioner, details his own very personal experiences - and how he was

rescued by his animals - describing how the creatures he has rescued have become first class therapy animals. Featuring a unique range of species, some never previously used in a therapeutic environment, this book demonstrates how each species brings its own benefits to a therapy session. With a foreword from respected Animal Geographer Dr Daniel Allen, who has long supported Dale's work, the book also answers many questions posed by those interested in working within the field of animal assisted therapy, including: How do you select a therapy animal? How do you 'train' a therapy animal? What are the benefits of working with different animals? How do the benefits of each species differ?

**The Benefits of Animal Assisted Therapy** Pyow Sports Marketing

This important military document focuses on the expanding role of dogs in the military healthcare system. Sixteen chapters explore the recognition and acceptance of the value of therapy dogs by both military and civilian healthcare professionals. The articles examine the various capacities in which dogs work among patients in medical facilities. There are also detailed discussions of the fairly recent initiative of deploying specially trained dogs overseas with combat and operational stress control teams to assist in their vitally important work in the mitigation of stress and anxiety among deployed personnel. Interestingly, as described in one article, this role of canine therapy has been applied repeatedly to disasters and tragic events in the United States, beginning with September 11, 2001, to address the confusion, stress, and anxiety of both victims and rescue/recovery workers in dealing with the feelings of futility, frustration, and loss. Many readers who have pets or other involvement with animals in their lives will probably not be particularly surprised at the descriptions of human reactions to the presence of the dogs depicted in these articles. However, all readers should find the extent of the situations and conditions to which dogs are successfully lending assistance to be intriguing, and perhaps a bit surprising. Although attempts to systematically quantify and scientifically evaluate the results of animal-assisted therapy have been and will continue to be made, for now the anecdotal evidence of its overwhelmingly positive impact is not only encouraging, but also substantial enough to support its continuation. Contents: 1 - Perspectives \* 2 - The Early Years \* 3 - Policy Initiatives for the Use of Canines in Army Medicine \* 4 - Definitions of Animals Used in Healthcare Settings \* 5 - Historical Perspectives of the Human-Animal Bond Within the Department of Defense \* 6 - Dogs and Human Health/Mental Health: From the Pleasure of Their Company To the Benefits of Their Assistance \* 7 - Research on Benefits of Canine-Assisted Therapy for Adults in Nonmilitary Settings \* 8 - The Effects of Animal-Assisted Therapy on Wounded Warriors in an Occupational Therapy Life Skills Program \* 9 - Training the Combat and Operational Stress Control Dog: An Innovative Modality for Behavioral Health \* 10 - Occupational Therapists as Dog Handlers: The Collective Experience with Animal-Assisted Therapy in Iraq \* 11 - Crossing the Berm: An Occupational Therapist's Perspective on Animal-Assisted Therapy in a Deployed Environment \* 12 - Rehabilitative Canine Interactions at the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center \* 13 - Canines for Combat Veterans: The National Education for Assistance Dog Services \* 14 - Service Dog Training Program for Treatment of Posttraumatic Stress in Service Members \* 15 - Reclaiming Identity Through Service to Dogs in Need \* 16 - Therapy Dogs and Stress Management Assistance During Disasters. Humans have domesticated animals for assistance and companionship since before the beginning of recorded history. Beasts of burden permitted the development of civilization by breaking land for agriculture with plows, and carrying crops, products, and people in larger quantities and over longer distances than human backs and feet could ever achieve. The longest recognized domesticated animal, the canine, provided humans with assistance in hunting and security, as well as companionship, throughout history, and continues to serve in those and other capacities today. Everyone is, of course, familiar with the "police dog," a fixture of law enforcement agencies for most of the last century. Police have also used dogs for tracking offenders and finding victims and lost individuals for many decades. Less well-known, but with a legacy of use that precedes that of law enforcement, is the military working dog.

*Adding Animal Assisted Therapy to Your Practice* Academic Press  
This book looks at how therapies involving animals can be used to help individuals with autism to develop skills, including sensory and social skills, to manage challenging behaviors, and improve quality of life. Whether participating in therapeutic horseback riding, utilizing a trained service dog, visiting a dolphin therapy center, or simply experiencing companion animal therapy, people with autism can reap a multitude of benefits from interaction with furry, feathered, and finned friends. Merope Pavlides relates the success stories of different animal-assisted interventions, as well as noting the challenges of working with particular animal species. She also emphasizes the importance of tailoring interventions to the specific needs of the individual and of monitoring progress. With recommendations for resources and further reading, this book will be of great interest to people with autism, their parents, and the professionals who work with them.

Jessica Kingsley Publishers

*Emotional Support Animal: The Essential Guide to Animal Assisted Therapy for Beginners, Discover The Benefits and Best Practices of Animal Assisted Therapy That Can Change Your Life* Pet therapy or animal assisted therapy has been gaining fans in healthcare and beyond. If you have a pet, you are already probably aware of the numerous benefits of having a pet. Dogs and cats are the most common animals being used for pet therapy but other animals can also be used if they meet the screening criteria like fish, guinea pigs, and horses. This book will teach you all the ins and outs of animal assisted therapy and animal assisted activities. It will also educate you about its benefits and how helpful having a pet is for your wellness and overall quality of life. You will discover the different situations an animal assisted therapy can help, from lessening depression, reducing anxiety to developing social skills and increasing verbal communication. This book will discuss the following topics: Mental and Psychological Benefits of Owning Pets AAT in Practice Studies Involving the Use of Animals for Therapy Types of AAT Programs Pet Therapy and Children Why Does AAT Work? AAT and Counselling HOW to Become an AAT Specialist While there are many benefits to AAT, the success of pet therapy depends on establishing realistic goals and expectations and meeting those goals. If you own a pet or planning on adopting one because you're interested in pet therapy, this book is the perfect guide for you. Scroll up and click "add to cart" now!

*The Benefits of Animal Assisted Therapy to Chronically Ill Children* AuthorHouse

"This book will help licensed professional counselors incorporate Equine Assisted Counseling (EAC) into their practices, even those who have no prior experience working with horses. It provides a strong research foundation for understanding the efficacy of equine assisted interventions and the potentially powerful impact that a horse can have in creating a new counseling dynamic. Chapters address using horses to help clients dealing with various traumas and abuse, anxiety, depression, atypical behaviors, and social skills and communication issues. One chapter is written by the internationally renowned "horse whisperer" Pat Parilli and offers a look at EAC from the horse's point of view and describes the process of developing a relationship with the horse in a positive, safe, and respectful manner, an important topic to ensure the well-being of the horse throughout a session. Counselors will find this a valuable resource for understanding and utilizing EAC as a new resource in their own practices, as will students seeking to learn about this innovative approach"-- Provided by publisher.

**Animal-Assisted Brief Therapy** Taylor & Francis

The third edition of *Animal-Assisted Therapy in Counseling* is the most comprehensive book available dedicated to training mental health practitioners in the performance of animal assisted therapy in counseling (AAT-C). New to this edition is discussion of the human-animal relational theory, a new theory dedicated to the practice of AAT-C. This edition also has added applications for supervision and includes the most recent research and practice. Consistent with previous editions, a variety of animal-assisted interventions are described with case examples provided in a variety of settings with different types of animals. This unique resource is an indispensable guide for any counselor or psychotherapist looking to develop and implement AAT techniques in practice.

**The Welfare of Animals in Animal-Assisted Interventions** ABC-CLIO

Learn to use a powerful tool in Solution-Focused Brief Therapy—a pet Animal Assisted Activities/Therapy (AAA/T) is an innovative intervention in which an animal becomes a crucial—and highly effective—part of the treatment process. Pet-Assisted Brief Therapy: A Solution-Focused Approach gives therapists the tools they need to begin and maintain an effective treatment program that meaningfully merges dogs and other therapy animals with Solution-Focused Therapy (SFT). This unique book clearly explains how AAA/T integrated with SFT in one substance abuse counseling program. It provides a revealing description of the program's challenges and successes, and discusses the possibilities for AAA/T implementation in other agencies. The authors review in detail the multitude of scenarios where animals can add a valuable dimension for treatment with clients on specific issues. *Animal-Assisted Brief Therapy: A Solution-Focused Approach* provides therapists with concrete examples of how to appropriately implement AAA/T to cultivate positive effects in treatment. The book explains how this loving and patient therapy for clients need not be the difficult challenge that it at first appears to be. This resource takes you step by step through the process, showing what practical strategies can be used to offset most obstacles and unknowns. This one-of-a-kind guide clearly explains how to blend and structure the numerous aspects of AAA/T with Solution Focused Therapy to become a more effective treatment program. Appendices provide AAA/T resources, sample policy and procedures, and training resources across the United States. *Animal-Assisted Brief Therapy: A Solution-Focused Approach* discusses: the history of AAA/T common values between AAA/T and Solution-Focused Therapy the principles and goals of SFT how to understand canine culture the creation of a

successful AAA/T program phobias, allergies, liabilities, and insurance therapy dogs' needs common interventions therapy with children therapy with adolescents therapy with adults

therapy with substance abusing clients Animal-Assisted Brief Therapy: A Solution-Focused Approach provides a comprehensive look at AAA/T and is perfect for therapists struggling to find new and effective ways to work with clients; therapists trying to utilize

this approach in their practice; administrators and clinical supervisors wanting to implement AAA/T at their agency; educators; and students.

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