

Dr. Risë VanFleet & Kirrie



Risë VanFleet, Ph.D., RPT-S is a licensed psychologist and registered play therapist-supervisor with 35 years of clinical and leadership experience in a variety of settings. She is the president of the Family Enhancement & Play Therapy Center, Inc. in Boiling Springs, PA and clinical consultant for the Beech Street Program. Dr. VanFleet is the founder of the International Collaborative on Play Therapy and a Past President/Board Chair of the Association for Play Therapy. She has authored several books on filial/family therapy, many chapters on play therapy, and is featured on 4 DVD workshops. Risë has trained thousands worldwide, and she has received 4 prestigious national awards for her work. She is also the author of the groundbreaking book, *Play Therapy with Kids & Canines: Benefits for Children's Developmental and Psychosocial Health*, and articles and chapters on the subject. The book has received excellent reviews (e.g., by the American Psychological Association), and was the winner of the Planet Dog Foundation's Sit. Speak. Act. Canine Service Award as judged and awarded by the Dog Writers Association of America. Articles written by Dr. VanFleet have also been finalists in the 2008 and 2009 competitions. She is a regular contributor to *The Chronicle of the Dog*. Risë is an Approved Evaluator with the American Kennel Club's Canine Good Citizen® Program, a full member of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers, the Dog Writers Association of America, and the International Society for Anthrozoology. She is responsible for the Playful Pooch Program and offers training programs in Canine-Assisted Play Therapy. She is also involved in ongoing research on the involvement of animals in conjunction with therapy.

Kirrie is a trained play therapy dog. She is a 6-year-old rescued Border Collie mix. She is very playful and she truly enjoys being with children and families. Kirrie and other dogs will assist with this training.



www.playfulpooch.org

Workshop Dates

Register Early! This workshop sells out quickly!

August 23-25 Boiling Springs, PA

Workshop Location

The workshop is held in Boiling Springs, PA at the Family Enhancement & Play Therapy Center, Inc. The area is 25 miles southwest of Harrisburg and 30 miles north of Gettysburg. Access is easy via Harrisburg International Airport, Amtrak, and major interstate highways. There are rental cars at the airport. Local B&Bs and hotels are inexpensive, and the workshop fees include continental breakfast and afternoon snacks.



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We welcome your questions!



The Family Enhancement & Play Therapy Center in conjunction with the Playful Pooch Program presents...

Canine-Assisted Play Therapy: Theory, Research, & Practice



harnessing child-canine play to enhance child and family therapy



with

Risë VanFleet, Ph.D., RPT-S

The dog was created specially for children. He is the god of frolic.

--Henry Ward Beecher



Registration Form

-secure online registration at playfulpooch.org-

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Workshop Description

This training is designed for child and family therapists who wish to train and work with therapy dogs to enhance their play therapy and other child/family work. The workshop provides an overview of the human-animal bond literature, animal-assisted therapy, research, and the integration of animal-assisted therapy with play therapy. Participants learn how to select and train dogs for this work, as well as why positive, behavioral, and relationship-oriented methods of training are especially useful when involving dogs in child therapy. Emphasis is on the use of child-canine play interactions for therapeutic benefit. Many specific canine-assisted play therapy interventions are covered, including the involvement of dogs with both nondirective and directive play therapy and ways to incorporate families. Types of child/family problems include anxiety and perfectionism, oppositional behaviors, attention deficits, divorce, developmental delays, trauma, attachment problems, grief, behavior/conduct problems, chronic medical illness, and social anxieties. Working with dogs to help children in foster and residential placements is highlighted as well. The workshop gives participants a chance to explore this exciting, emerging field and learn how to develop, implement, and research their own programs. Ideas on working collaboratively with therapy dog handlers and trainers are included. Lecture material is illustrated with video examples, live demonstrations, and skills practice. The workshop is limited to 10-12 participants. This training is for people only. Therapy dogs will be present and available for demonstrations and practice segments.

Prerequisites

Participants should have prior experience conducting play therapy, including familiarity with both nondirective (child-centered) play therapy and directive play therapy approaches. They should also be familiar with behaviorism and appreciate the importance of the family system. They should also be comfortable around dogs. If you have questions about these prerequisites, please contact Dr. VanFleet. Canine professionals wishing to attend should contact Dr. VanFleet for ways to meet these prerequisites.

Who Should Attend

This training is for psychologists, social workers, counselors, psychiatrists, family therapists, school counselors, and other experienced mental health, medical, or educational professionals who work with children and families and who have an interest in the use of canines in play therapy. Canine professionals who meet the prerequisites are also welcomed.

Special Needs

We are committed to making workshops accessible to everyone. Please contact us if you have special needs.

Schedule/Learning Objectives

The training will run from 8:30 to 5:30 each day.

For learning objectives, visit us at www.playfulpooch.org, then click on "Training." The training has 21 actual training hours.

Continuing Education

The Family Enhancement & Play Therapy Center, Inc. is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. The FEAPT Center maintains responsibility for this program and its contents. The Family Enhancement & Play Therapy Center is approved by the National Board of Certified Counselors (5732) to offer continuing education credits to counselors. The FEAPT Center follows all CE guidelines. It is also an Association for Play Therapy (APT) Approved Provider 95-014. This program has been approved by a number of state social work boards (please contact us for this info). 21 continuing education credits will be awarded to participants who attend the entire training. Partial credit cannot be given. No exceptions can be made to this policy.

Fees & Cancellation Policies

Extra Early Bird fee \$450 (fully paid by 4/1/10)

Early Bird fee: \$500 (paid 4/1 - 5/31/10)

Regular fee: \$550 (after 6/1/10)

Registration fees include workshop handouts and materials, continental breakfast each morning, beverages and light snacks each afternoon.

Cancellation Policy:

\$125 of the registration fee is a nonrefundable deposit that holds your reservation for this training. Registrations are accepted on a first-come-first-served basis. Fees include 21 hours of training, handout book, light refreshments. Lunches and dinners are on your own.

The \$125 deposit is nonrefundable. Written cancellations received 12 weeks prior to the training will receive a full refund of the balance of the fees. Cancellations received within 12 weeks of the training are subject to an additional \$75 processing fee, with the remainder being refunded.

We regret that no refunds can be given within the 6 weeks preceding the training. When someone from the waiting list can substitute, credit toward future trainings may be given.



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Please enroll me in the 2010 CAPT Training for August 23-25, 2010.

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TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

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