

## ANIMAL-ASSISTED ACTIVITIES (AAA)

AAA provides opportunities for motivational, educational, and/or recreational benefits to enhance quality of life. While more informal in nature, these activities are delivered by a specially trained professional, paraprofessional, and/or volunteer, in partnership with an animal that meets specific criteria for suitability. AAA is offered in a variety of venues by Registered Pet Partners® Therapy Teams (hospitals, care facilities, schools, libraries)

## ANIMAL-ASSISTED THERAPY (AAT)

AAT is a goal-oriented, planned, structured and documented therapeutic intervention directed by health and human service providers.

Practitioners can include physicians, occupational, physical, speech therapists, certified recreation specialists, nurses, social workers, board certified and licensed mental health counselors.

Visit: [AAAIP](http://www.aaaip.org)

<https://www.aaaiponline.org/>  
**Association of Animal Assisted  
Intervention Professionals (Pet Partners)**

## PASSION

Sharing our pets to enhance well-being and education. NE Pet Partners is small but mighty with years of experience.

## WHAT WE OFFER

Being a pet therapy team can be stressful for humans and pets. NEPP provides a sanctuary for the teams to evaluate with their pet with as little stress as possible.

Coaching to potential and Registered Pet Partner and Read with Me teams.

- Therapy Team Training — *Private*
- Team Evaluations (*Pet Partners*)
- Behavior Coaching — *Private*

## FACILITY / TEAM CONNECTION

Facilities and teams can connect at:

**NEPP Connects E-News**

[www.newenglandpetpartners.org/events](http://www.newenglandpetpartners.org/events)

- ◇ Join us at NEPP Connects for events and volunteer opportunities.

**Facebook [NEPP's Team Group Page](#)**

(private)

- ◇ Teams and Facilities can safely post requests to meet visiting goals.



# New England Pet Partners, Inc.®

**Non-Profit 501c.3**

**Community Pet Partner® #46489**

*Sharing our pets to enhance  
well-being and education*

**For More Information**  
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## ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION

New England Pet Partners, Inc. (NEPP) is a 501c.3, non-profit, Community Pet Partner, #46489. We are a volunteer-focused organization providing pet therapy team coaching and licensed team evaluations.

## FOUNDERS / TEAMS / VOLUNTEERS

Community Pet Partners and Volunteers are the strength of Pet Partners®.

Visit our [website](#) to learn more about the dedicated founders, Board Directors, Volunteers, Sponsors and Events.

**Becoming a Registered  
Pet Partner Team can create  
meaningful change in  
someone's life.**

***a Smile, a Word, a Laugh,  
a Deep Breath,  
a Hand Reaching,  
a Trust, a Touch,  
a Step Forward,  
a Sense of Well Being,  
a Small Change,  
Makes a Big Difference***

## SUPPORT YOUR

### COMMUNITY PET PARTNERS

### NEW ENGLAND PET PARTNERS

[www.newenglandpetpartners.org](http://www.newenglandpetpartners.org)

[info@nepetpartners.org](mailto:info@nepetpartners.org)

Does your pet enjoy engaging with people and have good socialization skills and manners?

Visit [www.petpartners.org](http://www.petpartners.org)

### YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE BY:

- Becoming a Registered Pet Partner or Read with Me Team
- Volunteering at events or Team Evals in your community
- Sponsor an event for fund-raising

Is your organization interested in a visiting pet program? Health Care Professionals and educators can learn more about meeting your unique goals at:

### AAAIP

*Association for Animal Assisted  
Intervention Professionals.*

## BENEFITS OF VISITING PET PROGRAMS

Humans are keenly aware of the therapeutic benefits of well-trained pets who enjoy engaging with people.

Growing numbers of studies show that pets can contribute to physiological and psychological well-being. Visiting Pet Programs (VPP) can:

- Enhance well being, reduce stress, increase motivation and break barriers of communication.
- Support physical, emotional, occupational and cognitive functioning.
- Increases patient/client incentive to exercise fine motor, wheelchair and verbal skills.
- As a team, simply listening and engaging can change someone's day.
- Empowering and Social: It gives people something to share with others.
- Educationally Enriching: Read with Me Teams collaborate with educators, schools and libraries to boost children's reading skills and reduce sensory overload.
- Kindness and Joy: Even a short visit, with no words, simply presence, can make a difference.