

# **Volunteer Job Description**

**Position:** Pet Therapy

Purpose: To bring in animals for residents to visit with.

### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. To bring animals to where residents are on designated home areas

2. To let residents hold or pet animals

3. To visit with residents and provide companionship

**TIME COMMITMENT**: 1 hour on weekly or monthly basis, times of your choice

## REQUIRED SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS:

- Associated with credible organization; such as St. Johns Ambulance or Hands on Exotics
- Animals must have all vaccinations current
- Animal's trainer must have general knowledge and understanding of the needs of the elderly
- Good interpersonal skills
- Reliable and committed to selected time

### **ORIENTATION AND TRAINING:**

A general orientation to the Home and job will be given by the Volunteer Coordinator or selected Staff/Volunteer prior to your first shift.

#### **ACCOUNTABILITY/REPORTING:**

Responsible to the Volunteer Coordinator or Charge Nurse