

"Ensuring excellence and changing lives through equine-assisted activities and therapies" Recipient of the Equine Industry Vision Award, sponsored by Zoetis and presented by American Horse Publications

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Denver—Ann Romney, who has multiple sclerosis, once said, "I'm determined to make a difference in the lives of people who suffer from the disease by raising the profile of MS." Ms. Romney is also an advocate for equine-assisted activities and therapies (EAAT), believing that her love for and work with horses kept her out of a wheelchair.

Lives are changed and bodies strengthened every day at PATH Intl. Centers around the world, and its certified professionals make a difference in the lives of 56,000 children and adults with physical, cognitive and emotional challenges every year.

"I became a member in honor of my best friend and mentor Jackie Wilks, who valiantly fought pancreatic cancer for 16 months," said PATH Intl. member Abby Jeffers. "She started the first premier accredited therapeutic riding center in Oklahoma, and I intend to carry on her legacy. Thank you, PATH Intl., for providing a means for her to achieve one of her dreams."

Like Abby, you too can make a difference by joining PATH Intl., which was formed in 1969 to promote safety and optimal outcomes in EAAT for individuals with special needs. Every time someone becomes a member, PATH Intl. is strengthened. A vital and growing PATH Intl. means greater recognition of safety and ethical practices in the EAAT industry, improved education resources and networking opportunities for all members, and the advancement of professional standards worldwide.

Visit the PATH Intl. website to discover the many benefits of joining PATH Intl. and to become a member.

Join. Donate. Visit a center. Make a difference.

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About PATH Intl.:

Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH Intl.) was formed in 1969 to promote safety and optimal outcomes in equine-assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs. The association certifies professionals and accredits centers that each year help 56,000 children and adults with physical, mental and emotional challenges find strength and independence through the power of the horse.

Currently 850 member centers offer therapeutic riding, and other therapeutic horsemanship activities including hippotherapy, equine-facilitated mental health, carriage driving, interactive vaulting, trail riding, competition, ground work and stable management. Through a wide variety of educational resources, and under the direction of the PATH Intl. Standards for Certification and Accreditation, the association helps individuals start and maintain successful programs. There are nearly 52,000 volunteers, 4,232 instructors, 7,503 equines and thousands of contributors from all over the world helping people at PATH Intl. Centers.