

**Hero Hearts EquiCenter, Inc.**  
8876 E. Hawthorn Lane • Hereford, AZ 85615

**Participant Application Form**

*Please fill out all 7 pages of this application and return to Hero Hearts.*

New Applicant?  Yes  No

PARTICIPANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

ALTERNATE PHONE: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ HEIGHT: \_\_\_\_\_ WEIGHT: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN (if under 18 years): \_\_\_\_\_

DISABILITY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF ONSET: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT:	Business Phone & Hours:
Father/Husband Name & Employer:	Business Phone & Hours:
Mother/Wife Name & Employer:	Business Phone & Hours:

PHYSICIAN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Guardian must complete this form before any minor participant can be accepted. If the participant is of legal age and mentally competent, he/she may complete the form. Every effort will be made to ensure safety and avoid any accident. NO LIABILITY can be accepted by any of the organization's trustees, agents, employees, each and every one of its members and associates, the property owners upon whose land the lessons are conducted.  
I \_\_\_\_\_ would like to participate in Hero Hearts EquiCenter, Inc. I have discussed this with my (or the child's) doctor. Furthermore, I grant permission to a Hero Hearts instructor or therapist to contact my doctor or therapist for further clarification of medical information if needed (this information will be treated with confidentiality). I understand that NO LIABILITY can be accepted by any of the organizations concerned with this instruction or therapy, including Hero Hearts EquiCenter, Inc. I understand that the final decision regarding acceptance, selected therapeutic activities, and continued participation rests with the Hero Hearts staff, upon due consideration of the individual's special needs and the safety of the participant, staff, volunteers and horses.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT OF LEGAL AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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(Office Use ONLY) Date Application Received: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
(Program Director)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT FORM**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE : (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICIAN'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_ POLICY#: \_\_\_\_\_

ALLERGIES TO MEDICATIONS: \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO IF YES, PLEASE LIST: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT MEDICATIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

In the event of an emergency, please contact:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ RELATION: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ RELATION: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ RELATION: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

In the event of an emergency and medical aid/treatment is required due to illness or injury during the process of receiving services or while on Hero Hearts EquiCenter, Inc. premises, I authorize Hero Hearts to secure and retain medical treatment and transportation if needed and release client records upon request to the authorized individual or agency involved in the medical emergency treatment.

**CONSENT PLAN**

This authorization includes x-ray, surgery, hospitalization, medication and any treatment procedure deemed "life-saving" by the physician. This provision will only be invoked if the person(s) above is unable to be reached. Emergency services from this area utilize Sierra Vista Regional Health Center or Copper Queen Hospital. Other preference: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Participant, or parent/legal guardian if participant under 18 years)

**NON-CONSENT PLAN**

I do not give my consent for emergency medical treatment/aid in the case of illness or injury during the process of receiving services or while on the Hero Hearts EquiCenter, Inc. premises.

Parent or legal guardian will remain on site at all times during equine assisted activities.

In the event emergency treatment/aid is required, I wish the following procedures to take place:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**MEDICAL HISTORY/PHYSICIAN'S RELEASE**

HEIGHT: \_\_\_\_\_ WEIGHT: \_\_\_\_\_ DIAGNOSIS: \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE OF ONSET: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Tetanus shot: \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No Date Given: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Seizures? \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No If Yes, Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Controlled? \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of last seizure: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Medications: \_\_\_\_\_

Areas	Normal	Problems/Deficits	Comments/Surgeries
Auditory			
Visual			
Speech			
Cardiac			
Circulatory			
Pulmonary			
Neurological			
Orthopedic			
Scoliosis			
type/degree			
Allergies			
Learning Disability			
Mental Impairment			
Psych Impairment			
Shunt	Yes:	No:	
GI Tubes	Yes:	No:	
Catheter	Yes:	No:	
Other			

Mobility                      Independent Ambulation    \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No  
   Braces                                    \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No  
   Crutches                                   \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No  
   Wheelchair                              \_\_\_Yes    \_\_\_No

Other special precautions: \_\_\_\_\_

I have reviewed the Contraindications supplied with this application. In my opinion this patient has none of these contraindications and may participate in supervised equestrian activities. I understand that the final decision regarding acceptance rests with the Hero Hearts EquiCenter, Inc. staff, upon due consideration of the participant's special needs, precautions and contraindications, and the safety of the participant, staff, volunteers, and horses. **This form must be signed and stamped by a physician.**

PHYSICIAN'S NAME: (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICIAN'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT NAME (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

**PARTICIPANT RELEASE**

Known by all present:

The undersigned understands and agrees that there is inherent risk of injury in all equine-related activities, both mounted and non-mounted. It is understood that horses may stumble, bite, run, kick, or make unpredictable movements which may cause a participant to be injured by or fall from the horse. I am willing and able to accept full responsibility for my own safety and welfare, and that of my child or ward.

The horseback riding sessions in particular will focus on acquisition of riding skills as well as therapeutic benefits to the individual participants. As part of typical skill development, the instructor may progress the rider from two side walkers to one side walker, to no side walker and eventually to independent riding if the instructor decides that it is appropriate for the rider's ability.

I have been advised and I understand that the utmost attention will be given to the safety of the rider. I am also fully aware that the risk of a fall from the horse is greater as the rider's independence increases. Knowing the potential of increased risk, I agree and support the participation of the above named in therapeutic horseback riding.

I do hereby release and discharge Hero Hearts EquiCenter, Inc., its instructors, staff, volunteers and horse owners from any and all responsibility or liability to me or my child in connection with any injuries suffered by me as a result of my activity/participation involving Hero Hearts EquiCenter, Inc. horses/ponies, and property.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** (parent, guardian, adult rider): \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT NAME (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

**PHOTO RELEASE**

For valuable consideration given and which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby **grants:** \_\_\_\_\_ or **does not grant:** \_\_\_\_\_ Hero Hearts EquiCenter, Inc. permission to take or have taken still and moving photographs and films including television pictures of the above named participant and **consents:** \_\_\_\_\_ or **does not consent:** \_\_\_\_\_ and authorizes Hero Hearts EquiCenter, Inc. , its advertising agencies, news media, and any other persons interested in this organization and its work, to use and reproduce the photographs, films and pictures and to circulate and publicize the same by all means including without limiting the generality of the foregoing - newspapers, television media, brochure, pamphlets, instructional material, books and clinical material.

With respect to the foregoing matters, no inducements or promises have been made to us/me to secure our/my signature(s) to this release other than the intention of Hero Hearts EquiCenter, Inc. to use or cause to be used such photographs, films and pictures for the primary purpose of promoting and aiding Hero Hearts EquiCenter, Inc. and its work.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

Signature (parent, guardian, adult rider): \_\_\_\_\_

## Contraindications

**Dear Health Care Provider:**

**Your Patient:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Participant's Name)

Is interested in participating in supervised equine activities. In order to safely provide this service, our center requests that you complete/update the attached Medical History and Physician's Statement form. Please note that the following conditions may suggest precautions and contraindications to equine activities. Therefore, when completing this form, please note whether these conditions are present, and to what degree:

**Orthopedic**

Atlantoaxial Instability – include neurologic symptoms  
Coxarthrosis  
Cranial Defects  
Heterotopic Ossification/Myositis Ossifications  
Joint subluxation/dislocation  
Osteoperosis  
Pathological Fractures  
Spinal Joint Fusion/Fixation  
Spinal Joint Instability/Abnormalities

**Neurologic**

Hydrocephalus/Shunt  
Seizure  
Spina Bifida/Chiari II Malformation/Tethered Coed/Hydromyelia

**Other**

Age – Under 4 years  
Indwelling Catheters/Medical Equipment  
Medications – i.e. photosensitivity  
Poor Endurance  
Skin Breakdown

**Medical/Psychological**

Allergies  
Animal Abuse  
Cardiac Condition  
Physical/Sexual/Emotional Abuse  
Blood Pressure Control  
Dangerous to self or others  
Exacerbations of Medical Conditions (i.e. RA/MS)  
Fire Settings  
Hemophilia  
Medical Instability  
Migraines  
PVD  
Respiratory Compromise  
Recent Surgeries  
Substance Abuse  
Thought Control Disorders  
Weight Control Disorder

Thank you very much for your assistance. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this patient's participation in equine assisted activities, please feel free to contact the center at the address/phone number listed above.

Sincerely,