ADAPTIVE RIDING INSTRUCTOR

ROLE AT HEALING REINS

Healing Reins Equine Assisted Services is looking for a PATH Intl. Certified Therapeutic Riding Instructor. This role is responsible for teaching equine-assisted lessons to children, teens and adults with physical, cognitive, emotional and behavioral challenges in an equine-assisted services environment.

WHO WE ARE

Since 1999 Healing Reins Equine Assisted Services has provided treatment strategies designed to help Central Oregonians with varying disabilities and special needs to thrive. Healing Reins is the only Premier Accredited Center east of the cascades in Oregon offering professionally recognized horse-centered therapies aiming to bring strength, hope, confidence and joy to all who partake in our services.

OUR MISSION

"To heal with horses" by offering nationally accredited, affordable, horse-centered therapies and experiences that bring strength, independence, confidence and joy to Central Oregonians of all ages and abilities.

WHO YOU ARE

You are a PATH Int'l Certified Therapeutic Riding Instructor, Private Professional Riding Instructor, *or* have 5+ years of horse ownership or competitive equestrian showing/rodeo experience and are interested in working in a Therapeutic Equine environment. You enjoy working with people of all ages and abilities to provide the opportunity to heal emotionally and physically through professionally recognized horse-centered therapies and riding lessons. You enjoy the idea of an outdoor, farm-based setting and thrive in a team environment.

WHAT YOU WILL BE DOING

Join us in our brand-new, state-of-the-art indoor arena, nestled on a stunning 30-acre farm in the Bend, Oregon! You'll have the exciting opportunity to teach adaptive horsemanship lessons and serve as a horse handler for our inspiring Hippotherapy program, which integrates equine movement with Physical and Occupational Therapy. If you're passionate about making a difference through horses in a breathtaking setting, this role is for you!

YOU ARE SOMEONE WHO BRINGS EXPERTISE IN:

- Certified PATH Intl. Therapeutic Riding Instructor and/or able to achieve CTRI status within 6 months of hire date.
- A minimum of three years of teaching experience to a variety of ages and abilities.
- Must have proven ability to maintain clear, consistent, and timely communication both verbally and in writing with participants, caregivers, volunteers, and fellow staff.
- Communicate clearly and frequently across internal teams, participant families and with community volunteers to relay important policy and program/services updates.
- Deliver training and up to date education materials as well as communicate and enforce standard industry terms and language to be used by volunteers and ambassadors who represent Healing Reins in the barn and out in the community.
- Establish and maintain strong organizational standards.
- Must have a minimum of five years of direct experience working with horses. This position requires direct interaction with the herd, and we are not able to provide on-the-job horse experience in this area.
- Must be able to create a positive and fun teaching environment for our participants and volunteers.
- Must be willing to work in a flexible and ever-changing environment, including a barn and outside with climate changes.
- Must possess strong computer skills for record-keeping, correspondence, and scheduling.
- As a non-profit, we are not able to provide any relocation compensation for this position.

REQUIRED EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE & TRAINING:

- Five years' experience may be acceptable if an accredited course and certification is obtained within six months of employment.
- Must have a current CPR/First Aid card or acquire within one month of hire date.
- Must be able to work cooperatively and effectively with others in a team-based environment.

- Must be able to project enthusiasm and a sense of fun into their teaching environment.
- Must be willing to work in a flexible and ever-changing environment.
- Must possess basic computer skills for record-keeping and correspondence.

HOW TO APPLY

- Email resume and cover letter to Erin Rankin, Program & Services Director at **erinr@healingreins.org**
- We offer both part-time positions and full-time positions.
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PERKS OF THE JOB

- Benefits include a group medical, vision and dental insurance policy provided in full by Healing Reins monthly to the individual **full-time salaried staff**.
- A competitive personal paid-time-off policy. Including 10 PTO Days as well as an additional 18+ holidays paid throughout the year.
- Healing Reins supports a healthy work-life balance with flexible hours and work schedule
- Healing Reins supports continuing education opportunities for all staff.
- Healing Reins is actively working to diversify its staff and encourages applications from people of all races, ages, gender identities, sexual orientations, religions, beliefs, national origins, or abilities.
- Onsite housing may be available for the ideal candidate.

STARTING SALARY RANGE: Competitive Compensation will be based on hired role.

Work Location: Tumalo, Oregon.
Job Type: Full-time and Part-time availability

Healing Reins Therapeutic Riding Center is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of *race, color, religion (creed), gender (including gender identity (expression), sexual orientation, and pregnancy), age, national origin (ancestry), disability or genetic information, marital status, military status, or any other protected class in any of its activities or operations. We are committed to providing an inclusive and welcoming environment for all members of our staff, clients, volunteers, subcontractors, partners, vendors, and clients.* Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions of the position. A state of Oregon criminal background check is required for employment at Healing Reins.