



Understanding the difference between service animals, emotional support animals and therapy animals and the implications for clinical practice.

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Service Animals

Americans
with
Disabilities
Act

Under the ADA - a service animal is a dog or a mini horse that has been individually trained to do work or perform tasks for an individual with a disability. HUD, FAA and State Statues vary on the definition of "what" animal constitutes a service animal.

Housing
and
Urban
Development

Emotional Support Animals

An Emotional Support Animal (ESA) is a domestic animal that provides therapeutic support to a disabled or elderly owner.

Federal
Aviation
Administration

Medically determined by the patients doctor/mental health clinician. Allows for the patient to have their animal in "no pets" housing and in the cabin of an aircraft. (HUD and FAA allow for ESA's)

Local
State Statues

Therapy Animals

A Therapy Animal is a domestic animal that is trained by a owner/handler to interact with others who are in a structured environment.



Questions?

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