

## Faculty

### Lori Garone, PT, HPCS

Lori is a physical therapist, licensed in New York, New Jersey and California and a board certified Clinical Specialist in Hippotherapy. A 1990 graduate of Touro School of Health Sciences, Lori earned her Masters Degree in PT. She served two terms on the AHA Board of Directors, most recently as Vice President, Chair of the Education Curriculum Development and Nominating Committees. Lori previously served as Education Committee Chair (2001-2005) and Practice and Standards Chair (2001-2008). Lori was chosen to represent the USA in 1991 at the First Symposium of Physiotherapists and Riding Instructors in Surrey, England. Lori has trained successfully up to Fourth Level Dressage and is a life long horsewoman. As Clinical Director at Sullivan Diagnostic and Testing Center, she helped develop The Center for Discovery's Milligan Hill EAAT Program, incorporating hippotherapy into patients plan of care as well as Equine Assisted Therapy and Activities incorporating the environment of the horse for residential patients, daycare program and work related experiences. From 2005-2007, Lori served as Interim Executive Director and Program Director at The National Center for Equine Facilitated Therapy. In 2010 she was awarded the Oyster Bay, NY Woman of the Year Award for her work in the Health Industry and promoting Hippotherapy. Since 1990, Lori has had a private practice on Long Island, NY, *Physical Therapy in Motion*, where she incorporates hippotherapy into her patients plan of care.



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### Nancy H. McGibbon, MS, PT, HPCS

Nancy is a licensed physical therapist with an advanced master's degree in neurologic physical therapy. She has worked in a variety of clinical settings, including acute care, rehabilitation and private practice and is Director of TROT Therapy Services at Therapeutic Riding of Tucson, Arizona. She has used hippotherapy in her practice for more than 30 years, was a founder and first president of the American Hippotherapy Association, and has taught workshops and lectured internationally. Nancy has a special interest in hippotherapy research, with several published studies. In 2004, she was honored with the 'Therapist of the Year' Award from the American Hippotherapy Association, Inc. and the "Woman of Distinction Award" from Soroptomist International of Desert Tucson for her work in hippotherapy research. In 2007 Nancy was the recipient of the NARHA James Brady Professional Achievement Award.

### Bonnie Cunningham, PT, HPCS

Bonnie is a licensed Physical Therapist in the states of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. She holds a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Arts in Physical Therapy and Master of Public Administration. Bonnie is a PATH, Intl Registered Therapist, a PATH, Intl Certified Riding Instructor and is Certified as a USEF Classifier for Para Equestrian, which is riders with disabilities competing in National Events and the Paralympics. Bonnie is a Board Certified Clinical Specialist in hippotherapy, Coordinating Faculty for the American Hippotherapy Association, has taught internationally and presented at national conferences. She has served as both President and Executive Director of the AHA. Bonnie is practicing hippotherapy as part of an adaptive riding program and in private practice.

## Continuing Education

### Schedule

Approximate Schedule for the Neuro Connection is:

Friday, May 3 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

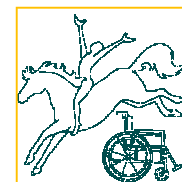
Saturday, May 4 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Schedule for the Neuro Symposium:

Sunday, May 5 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Therapy Services is a recognized Continuing Competency Approval Agency of the CA PT Board. PT's attending these courses will earn CCU's for CA as follows:

1.1 for the Neuro Connection Workshop; an additional .4 for the Neuro Symposium. 1.5 for both events. CEU's are also available for licensed PT's and PTA's in NY state. The California OT Board does not require courses to be approved for continuing competency. This course can be applied toward OT license renewal.



## THERAPY SERVICES

### PRESENTS

# The Neuro Connection: Incorporating Hippotherapy into the Treatment of the Patient with Neurologic Impairments

3-4 May 2013

An AHA, Inc Approved Course



Therapy Services at Ride On  
10860 Topanga Canyon Blvd, Chatsworth, CA 91311  
[www.RideOn.org](http://www.RideOn.org)

## The Neuro Connection 3-4 May 2013

### Course Description

With extensive use of patient videos, group discussion and problem solving, course participants will explore the theoretical and scientific rationale and benefits for using hippotherapy, alone and in combination with other treatment strategies for specific neurologic impairments such as: spasticity, impaired motor control and sensory deficits. In addition, participants will discuss ways to incorporate principles of neuroplasticity and motor learning into their hippotherapy session.

#### TOPICS TO BE COVERED:

- Review of major relevant areas of the Central Nervous System
- Common impairments related to motor behavior
- Theoretical and scientific rationale for treatment of neurological patients
- Related systems - treating the whole patient
- Therapist treatment approaches - combining clinic and Hippotherapy
- Applying principles of motor learning and neuroplasticity in Hippotherapy
- Patient problem solving using videos of patients with neurologic impairments

#### INTENDED AUDIENCE:

Physical and Occupational Therapists, Speech Language Pathologists, Physical Therapy Assistants and Occupational Therapy Assistants who currently treat or are planning to treat patients with neurologic impairments.

## Optional Symposium 5 May 2013

Join us on Sunday for a chance to apply the knowledge from 2 days of learning with the course faculty and 2 Los Angeles pediatric specialists.

Ryan Kotton, MD—a pediatric physiatrist, director of the High Risk Infant Progress Clinic and Pediatric Rehabilitation at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center.\*

Both clinicians will share their expertise and join in discussion about treatment strategies that they appreciate for their patients.

\*More about the symposium and the clinicians may be found at [www.RideOn.org](http://www.RideOn.org)

Registration is limited

Deadline is April 12, 2013

The cost of the course for AHA members is **\$325 for the Neuro Connection and \$395 with the additional symposium.**

Cancellation requests, in writing, will be honored if received more than 14 days prior to the course, minus a \$50 administrative fee. Cancellations less than 14 days prior to the start of the course will forfeit all fees. Registration may be transferred. In the event of course cancellation by Therapy Services or by AHA, Inc. a full refund will be provided.

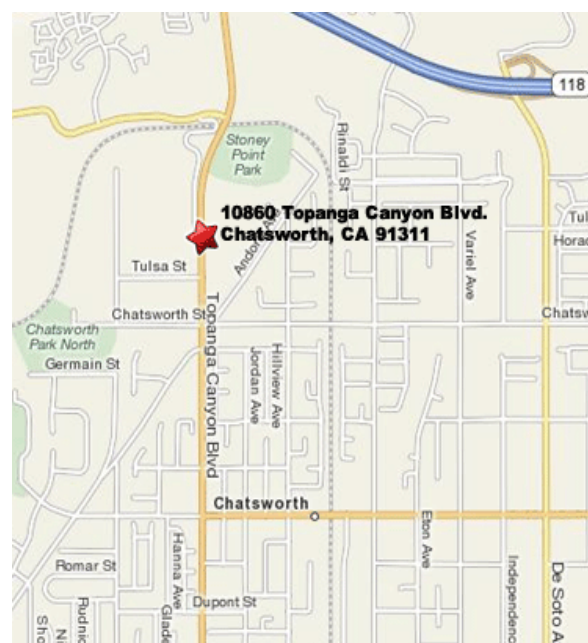
Manuals, snacks and lunch will be provided.

## Directions Hotel Information

Ride On is located in Chatsworth, California. Conveniently located at the Topanga Canyon exit off of the 118 freeway in the Northwest San Fernando Valley, the ranch address is 10860 Topanga Canyon Blvd.

Preferred hotel is the Radisson (818.709.7054), or the Ramada Inn (818.998.5289), both in Chatsworth and within a 5 minute drive to the facility.

Burbank airport is about 25 minutes away; LAX is about 45 minutes. The Amtrak station is in Chatsworth about 5 minutes from Ride On.



## Registration Form Registration Deadline April 12, 2013

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Profession/License# \_\_\_\_\_

Special needs—health restrictions/diet/etc \_\_\_\_\_

AHA Member # \_\_\_\_\_

- The Neuro Connection \$325 (AHA Member)  
\$450 (Non AHA)
- Neuro Connection Plus \$395 (AHA Member)  
Sunday Symposium \$520 (Non AHA)
- Symposium—space available \$125 (AHA Member)  
\$250 (Non AHA)

Check - please make payable to Ride On

Credit Card Visa/ MC / Discover

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Expiration \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_

Billing address (if different from above):

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Questions? Contact Joann Benjamin  
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