

Animal Reiki Update

All animal lovers will be pleased to hear the very good news that professional recognition for Animal Reiki Practitioners is moving apace. A huge amount of work has been put into producing all the documentation which is the basis of this project. All eight member organisations of the Reiki Council are keen to introduce professional recognition in this field and are working hard together to this end. Our goal is for Animal Reiki Practitioners to be known for their understanding of animals as well as Reiki and be accepted in the community with the same familiarity and credibility as Reiki Practitioners.

As this project has progressed, it has become a considerably larger initiative than initially expected and for simplicity, we have decided to divide the work into two phases.

First phase:

Foundation Animal Reiki Practitioner (including Master/Teacher) membership, also the provision of teaching guidance for all of these levels.

Approval of Foundation Animal Reiki Practitioner courses will be offered to suitably trained teachers running courses that meet the guidelines. The details for this will follow when we have verifiers in place to assess the courses. The cost will be minimal to encourage as many suitable courses to be approved as possible. This will give potential students a selection of courses that will deliver a good basic level of Animal Reiki Practitioner training.

We are creating a Continued Professional Development (CPD) resource that includes legislation, notifiable diseases, red flag symptoms, basics of understanding animals and more. Many training courses do not cover this content so this resource will enable many members to be upgraded to meet the requirements of the Foundation Animal Reiki Practitioner certificate. An update will be provided when we have further information.

Second phase:

Professional Practice Animal Reiki Practitioner (including Master/Teacher) membership, and approval of Professional Practice Animal Reiki Practitioner (Level 3) courses. Teachers will be required to be verified at this level too.

The second phase is recommended if you wish to work professionally with animals. It is comparable to level 3 (NOS) Reiki training that enables members to be listed on the Complementary Natural Healthcare Council (CNHC) Accredited Register of Complementary Health Practitioners. GPs may refer patients to any Practitioners on this Register.

The first phase documents will be launched in 2020.

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