CHAMP Pledge Form & Liability Release

CHAMP is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that offers therapeutic horseback riding to adults and children with physical, cognitive and/or emotional disabilities. For more information about our programs, please visit our website at www.vtchamp.org

This is your chance to raise much-needed funds for CHAMP! It should be fun for riders and beneficial to CHAMP too! All participants must turn in a minimum of $125 in collected pledges before the trail ride begins.

Tips for Collecting Pledges
- Check on your sponsor’s company’s matching program. CHAMP is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and may be eligible for a matching gift. Have the matching forms on hand and complete the information about CHAMP in advance. (Make sure you get a copy of the forms so it will count toward your total.)
- Tell people they can donate via PayPal at www.vtchamp.org/events.
- When collecting pledges from family and friends, be sure to let them know that any amount is okay. No pledge amount is too small. They add up!
- If you have set a goal for yourself, tell people what it is so they feel like they are actively participating with you.
- Don’t forget to thank your sponsors! After you have collected your donations, please send thank you notes. Include a picture of you and your horse or make a special thank you gift. This lets them know how much you appreciate their support, and they will be more likely to sponsor you next year.

Rider Name ______________________________________________________
Address________________________________________________________
City __________________________ ST ___________ Zip _____________
Phone_________________________ Email______________________________

Liability Release

Participant's Name:______________________________________________
would like to participate in the CHAMP Benefit Trail Ride. I acknowledge the risks and potential for risks of horseback riding, however I feel that the possible benefits to myself/my son/my daughter/my ward are greater than the risks assumed. I hereby, intending to be legally bound, for myself, my heirs and assigns, executors or administrators, waive and release forever all claims for damages against the Champlain Adaptive Mounted Program - CHAMP at Good Hope Farm, its board of directors, instructors, therapists, volunteers and/or employees; and PATH International, for any and all injuries and/or losses I/my son/my daughter/my ward may sustain while participating in CHAMP’s activities. I also understand that under Vermont law, an equine activity sponsor is not liable for an injury to, or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities that are obvious and necessary, pursuant to 12 V.S.A. 1039

SIGNATURE _______________________ DATE ______

PRINT NAME BELOW IF SIGNATURE IS BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN
(FOR PARTICIPANTS UNDER 18)

PARENT OR GUARDIAN
____________________________
RELATIONSHIP
____________________________

Rider’s Preferred T-shirt Size:

Child: ☐ S  ☐ M  ☐ L  ☐ XL  or  Adult:  ☐ S  ☐ M  ☐ L  ☐ XL

All proceeds benefit CHAMP programs. Thank you for your support.
Imagine a place where children and adults with special needs can be themselves. Where they can bond with a special horse and develop lifelong relationships. Imagine a place where they can leave behind their crutches, wheel chairs, and therapies and ride to freedom. Imagine a place where dreams really do come true and lives are changed. When participants ride their horse, they become independent. They fill the arena with signals or commands to “walk on” or “trot” and the air is filled with laughter and shrieks of glee. Most of all, the riders at CHAMP are learning essential life skills, such as talking, signing, walking and focusing on their therapies and interacting with their horse and instructor.