

## Unit 1: Lay the Groundwork

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Navigating the Course

- 1 The Human-Animal Bond in Therapy Work
- 2 Therapy Dog Team Expectations & Definitions
- 3 Logistics of Therapy Dog Work & Key Considerations

## Unit 2: Build Your Team

- 4 Canine Body Language  
Develop your observation skills and increase your understanding of what your dog is "saying."
- 5 The Training Process  
Learn to use positive reinforcement effectively and train as a dog-handler team.
- 6 Essential Therapy Dog Skills  
Teach your dog the 13 behaviors every therapy dog needs to know.
- 7 Training for the Real World  
Prepare for the real-life conditions you and your dog will experience in therapy work.
- 8 Therapy Visit Success  
Discover the practices that sustain success, enthusiasm, and joy.

## Unit 3: Your SkillCheck & Beyond

- 9 The SkillCheck Assessment  
How to earn your Therapy Dog Team Training SkillCheck designation.
- 10 Wrap-Up & Next Steps  
What to do, and where to go, next in your therapy dog team journey.



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