**Year Founded:** 1969

**Mission Statement:** The Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH Intl.) promotes safety and optimal outcomes in equine-assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs.

**PATH Intl. Vision Statement:** PATH Intl. is the global authority, resource and advocate for equine-assisted activities and therapies and the equines in this work that inspires and enriches the human spirit.

**About PATH Intl.:** PATH Intl. was formed in 1969 as the North American Riding for the Handicapped Association to promote equine-assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs. With almost 850 member centers, 56,036 children and adults find a sense of independence through involvement with horses. These member centers range from small, one-person programs to large operations with several instructors and therapists. In addition to horseback riding, a center may offer any number of equine-assisted activities such as driving, vaulting, trail riding, competition, ground work or stable management. Through a wide variety of educational resources, the association helps individuals start and maintain successful programs. There are nearly 52,000 volunteers, 4,232 instructors, 7,503 equines and thousands of contributors from all over the world making a difference in people’s lives.

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**Total Center Members** 844
- Not-For-Profit Centers 672
- Accredited Centers 235

**Total Individual Members** 7,420

**Total PATH Intl. Certified Instructors** 4,232
- Certified Driving Instructors 89
- Certified Vaulting Instructors 28

**Total Equines** 7,503
- Horses 5,799
- Ponies 1,215
- Minis 366
- Donkeys 94
- Mules 29

**Total Number of Employees** 3,401
- Total Centers Offering Internships 425
- Total Number of Center Volunteers 51,259
- Total Value* of Volunteer Hours $3,092,532,359

*The value of volunteer hours is based on the number of volunteers X center reported volunteer time X $22.14 as stated by independent sector

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**PATH Intl. Centers Offering Specialty Programs**

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**PATH Intl. Centers Partnering with Community Organizations**

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**PATH Intl. Centers with participant waiting lists: 321**
**Individuals on waiting lists: 4,971**
**Total Number of Participants: 56,036**
**Total Budgets for all PATH Intl. Centers: $141,544,852**

- Budgets between:
  - $0-$999: 13
  - 1,000-$9,999: 57
  - $10,000-$19,999: 102
  - $20,000-$49,999: 179
  - $50,000-$99,999: 122
  - $100,000-$149,999: 84
  - 150,000-$199,999: 33
  - $200,000-$499,999: 102
  - $500,000-$1 million: 40
  - Over $1 million: 14
  - Did not report: 97

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**PATH Intl. Core Values**

- **Access and inclusion**—promoting diversity and opportunity in equine assisted activities
- **Compassion and caring**—providing a culture of safety, understanding, and ethical treatment of humans and horses engaged in equine-assisted activities
- **Cooperation and collaboration**—connecting and partnering with those who share the PATH Intl. vision in a mutually beneficial manner
- **Education**—sharing valued knowledge with our constituents to facilitate their success
- **Excellence**—promoting quality in all undertakings
- **Innovation**—encouraging and supporting creativity, inquiry, and cutting-edge research
- **Integrity and accountability**—ensuring that all business is based on ethical principles and conducted with transparency
- **Professionalism**—enhancing the value and credibility of the industry
- **Service**—providing effective and responsive information and programs to our constituents
- **Holism**—promoting an awareness of body, mind and spirit in equine-assisted activities and therapies

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**2012 Center Funding Sources**

- **Foundations**
- **Fundraisers**
- **In Kind**
- **Individual Donations**
- **Participant Fees**
- **State**
- **United Way**
- **School/University**
- **Federal**

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**Center Budgets by Size**

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Instructor Certification: Three levels of riding instructor certification, two levels of driving certification and one level of interactive vaulting certification ensure that instructors have the skill and knowledge to provide safe and effective services.

Accreditation: The PATH Intl. Center Accreditation process encourages member centers to strive for the highest level of safety and proficiency.

International/Regional Conferences: The PATH Intl. Conference and Annual Meeting is our premier educational opportunity, offering academic sessions, hands-on demonstrations at the Horse Expo and networking opportunities. PATH Intl. Regional Conferences offer a more intimate, local conference experience. These are opportunities for individuals within each region to attend educational seminars and network with others in their geographical region.

Communications: PATH Intl. Strides quarterly magazine, PATH Intl. eNews and other publications provide valuable educational information and updates to the PATH Intl. membership. Additionally, www.pathintl.org offers an indispensable tool for communication with the PATH Intl. membership and the general public.

Mentor Training: The PATH Intl. Mentor Training Workshop is designed to assist Instructors-In-Training link with highly qualified PATH Intl. Certified Instructors to fulfill the required 25 mentored hours for the certification process. This is accomplished by training current PATH Intl. Certified Instructors about the needs of mentees and the responsibilities of being a mentor. This developing mentor list will consist of Certified Instructors across the United States and around the world.

Distance Education: An important and ever-growing component of our education offerings is the distance education program. Three courses, Center Accreditation Training, Instructor Self-Study and Volunteer Training, are currently offered through this program. PATH Intl. enhances distance education with our webinar system. More online offerings to come in 2014.

PATH Intl. Affiliate Partner Program: This program is designed to create partnerships between PATH Intl. and non-commercial organizations that share the PATH Intl. vision and support the PATH Intl. mission. PATH Intl. was proud to welcome The American Hippotherapy Association, Inc., as its first nationally recognized Affiliate Partner. American Quarter Horse Association and American Morgan Horse Association are also affiliate partners of the association.