

Look what facilities and other programs are saying about TDV's therapy dog programs

“The Fletcher Allen Volunteer Services Department appreciates the collaboration, support and dedication of the volunteers with Therapy Dogs of Vermont over the past 15 years. Therapy Dogs and their volunteer owners continue to provide very special visits to Fletcher Allen patients and their families. Together they bring joy, companionship, wellness and very "magical moments.” - **Judy Rivers RN, Dir. Volunteer Services Department, Fletcher Allen Health Care**

“The therapy dogs (from Therapy Dogs of Vermont) that visit our pediatric patients probably do more to bring smiles to their faces than any treatment I can ever prescribe.” - **Lewis First, MD - Chief of Pediatrics Vermont Children's Hospital at Fletcher Allen Health Care**

“I was privileged to watch Therapy Dogs and their handlers extend unconditional love to patients of all ages – when they needed it most. There is no doubt that love heals.” - **Marilyn Van Graber, Former Patient Representative at Fanny Allen Hospital**

“I can greatly see the value of Therapy Dogs of Vermont teams when they visit our patients” - **Dolly Macneil, Director, Volunteer Services Department, Northwestern Medical Center**

“People with mental health problems can often be withdrawn or have trouble relating to others. Which is a big reason why we have a certain four-legged therapist (from Therapy Dogs of Vermont) named Zuzu make regular visits.” - **Susan Brothers, Director of Marketing & Communications, Central Vermont Medical Center**

“What a gift Therapy Dogs of Vermont have given our residents and staff as well.” - **Deborah Lemery, RN, Asst. Admin., Pillsbury Manor**

"Laughter and visits from Therapy Dogs of Vermont are the best medicine!" - **Colleen McLaughlin, Activities Director Starr Farm Nursing Center**

“Therapy dogs have been a wonderful source of comfort and companionship for women who are incarcerated and separated from their children and families. The affection they share with these animals are a tremendous aid to their mental and spiritual well-being.” - **Rob Dubuque, Coordinator of Volunteer Services, Dale Correctional Facilities for Women**