

# **Alliance of Therapy Dogs**

## **Mission Statement**

Alliance of Therapy Dogs (ATD) is an international registry of certified therapy dog teams. We provide testing, certification, registration, support, and insurance for members who volunteer with their dogs in animal assisted activities. Our objective is to form and support our network of caring individuals and special dogs who share smiles and joy with people, young and old alike.

## **Scope**

Alliance of Therapy Dogs currently has approximately 17,000 members handling over 16,000 dogs. ATD members are located in every state, as well as in Puerto Rico, Canada, and on American military bases worldwide. As a member, you can visit in all these geographies and be covered by ATD insurance while you visit.

## **Membership Requirements**

Alliance of Therapy Dogs members must become familiar with, and adhere to, the ATD Policies, Rules and Regulations, and Code of Ethics. The Policies, the Rules and Regulations, and the Code of Ethics can be found on the ATD website, [www.therapydogs.com](http://www.therapydogs.com), under the Members tab. The Rules and Regulations and Code of Ethics are in this Member Handbook as well as online.