

# **ANIMAL Physiotherapy Services**

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## **Introducing Our Team**

**We have over 15 years of experience in animal physiotherapy, multiple degrees and regularly teach internationally. We've also contributed to a number of textbooks to help educate up-and-coming animal physiotherapists. When you come to Animal Physiotherapy Services, you know your furry family member will be in the very best possible hands.**

### **Our Philosophy**

We believe in doing things properly every time and we believe that having fun while doing so fosters the right frame of mind to do things better in future. When we make mistakes or face a problem, we learn from them and improve as a result. We like working as a team because it helps us balance our lives better so we can enjoy our work more. As a team, we can learn from each other's strengths – by working together, our whole becomes greater than the sum of our parts. We believe in being honest and kind with each other and all whom we deal with.

### **Our Team**

Our team is led by qualified human physiotherapists with a commitment to continuing education in animal physiotherapy:

- Our team leader, Dr **Helen Nicholson**, began working with animals in 1999. Since then, she has become the first in the world with both Masters and PhD degrees in animal physiotherapy, and the first to earn the title of APA Animal Physiotherapist. Helen is a visiting professor at Yamazaki Gakuen University in Japan. She is a published author and is the NSW representative and Chair for the Animal Physiotherapy Group of the APA. Helen has 2 dogs, 3 cats, 16 chickens and 4 kids!
- Dr **Naomi Boyd** is one of only a handful of people in the world with both physiotherapy and veterinary degrees. Naomi has a strong interest in welfare and recently had 2 cases showing how she has used physio to help maximise quality of life accepted for presentation at the premier international conference in animal rehabilitation in Vienna. Please be warned: Naomi has a weakness for kittens and has recently taught her gorgeous cat to do high fives!

The physio team is assisted by:

- **Madi, Ashleigh and Sarah**, who are all studying their human physiotherapy degrees at uni. When we saw their talent, we quickly snapped them up to work as assistants while at uni, so that they can continue to work with us after graduating!

We also have the brilliant **Mel, Claire and Marg** in the office, making sure there is some method to the madness!

*As you can see, **each of our team members contributes their own special strengths. We look forward to working with you and your vet as a team to maximise your pet's quality of life.***