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## ***STUDY SHOWS EQUINE-ASSISTED THERAPY FOR CHILDREN WITH AUTISM AT SPIRITHORSE THERAPEUTIC CURES NINE!***

(CORINTH, TX) July 2, 2010. Through extensive study of research from leading medical schools, SpiritHorse Therapeutic has developed specific methods for treating autism through equine-assisted therapy. These methods have been utilized in over 30,000 sessions with children with autism during the past five years. Following a study in 2009 by the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center that showed statistically "Significant Improvement" in 24 children with autism through intervention at SpiritHorse, representatives from Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, visited SpiritHorse for its spring, 2009 semester to study the results of the SpiritHorse program. Their study of 47 children with autism spectrum disorder, just released, also showed a statistically "Significant Improvement", including nine children who, after ten weeks treatment at SpiritHorse, measured non-autistic on the Childhood Autism Rating Scale, a single blinded measurement.

Charles Fletcher, Founder and CEO of SpiritHorse stated that he was very pleased with this confirmation of the success of their work with children with autism spectrum disorder. Mr. Fletcher stated that the specific methods used to re-start the development of a brain hemisphere are now being used successfully with patients with traumatic brain injury, stroke, and cerebral palsy.

Treatment is free of charge at SpiritHorse which produces a need for additional funding. We save our parents an estimated \$600,000 per year and in doing so serve the un-served. Especially in these difficult economic times, the organization is in need of help from the public. Donations may be made on their website at [www.spirithorsetherapy.com](http://www.spirithorsetherapy.com), or checks can be mailed to SpiritHorse, 1960 Post Oak Dr., Corinth, TX 76210.