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To: Annie Janis
Subject: Content

Dear Annie,

I sent the airmail of the following contents to you today.

Dear Annie Janis,

In veterinary medical care, it has been proven that physical therapy is effective in treating orthopedic and neurologic patients. On this account, many veterinarians and animal nurses in Japan participate in an overseas society dedicated to physical therapy and rehabilitation for animals and they are hungry for information. In addition, our veterinary teaching hospital has just purchased a building that will house the department of physical rehabilitation.

It is clear to me that sophistication, experience, and state-of-the-art technology play a major role in this new field of physical rehabilitation for animals and that orthopedics and neurology work hand in hand with physical medicine; and finally that to achieve the best outcome for our patients, we must combine good orthopedics and neurology with physical therapy and rehabilitation, just as human medicine has done for almost 100 years.

When we sought a facility that offered training and internships in physical therapy and rehabilitation, it was your facility, the Animal Rehabilitation and Wellness Institute, that was recognized as one of the best facilities in the US for training veterinary students and nursing students in rehabilitation protocols and the different modalities and equipment used in this new field. It was also your facility that was highly recommended by the University of Tennessee's certification program in Canine Rehabilitation for my students' training and internships. I then visited your hospital the year before last and was extremely impressed with the quality of care you provided your patients and your state-of-the-art facility. We followed this visit up with an invitation to you to lecture to our veterinary and nursing students at the Kurashiki University of Science and Art and the Hiroshima Animal College in July 2008. You did not disappoint us Ms. Annie Janis as you gave the best lectures and charmed and converted all of our students and faculty to the benefits of physical therapy and rehabilitation for companion animals..

As President of the Kurashiki University of Science and Art and the Hiroshima Animal College, I am extending my wishes to make a binding contract and a friendship-tie-up with you and the Animal Rehabilitation and Wellness Institute. We wish to have you and your staff consult with us in establishing our rehabilitation facility here in Japan. Also we strongly wish to train our veterinary and nursing students at your hospital.

We would like to begin this program in November 2009 and intend for it to be an ongoing established program with your hospital. We would also like to have your staff and other specialists in this field come to Japan to lecture.

It is our sincere wishes to improve the quality of life for our companion animals by offering physical therapy and rehabilitation as a new option in veterinary medicine in Japan.

Let us begin to negotiate the specifics of our agreement to include financial arrangements, student accommodations, translations, etc. via email. And in the meantime, I await a good answer from you.

Sincerely yours,

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