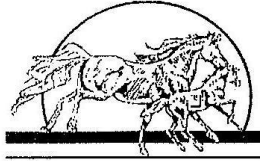




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Release: Alternative Therapies

Acupuncture, chiropractic and homeopathy are examples of alternative therapies. These therapies are often used in holistic approach to treatment. Holistic practitioners believe that the body has inherent abilities to heal and that symptoms are produced in the body's attempt to heal itself. Conventional medicine is based on removing symptoms. Holistic medicine acknowledges symptoms as signs of imbalance and uses therapies designed to bring the body back into balance. The Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners requires veterinarians who use alternative therapies to have a release signed by any client whose animals may be treated with alternative therapies. This is to assure that all clients are aware of all treatment options available to them. It does not imply that either hazards or a lack of effectiveness should be associated with alternative therapies.

I _____, do hereby authorize the use of alternative therapies as needed on my animals or on the animals in my care. I understand that differences exist between conventional and holistic treatment regimens.

Signature _____

Date _____