

A Pilot Study to Examine the Impact of a Therapy Dog Intervention on Loneliness and Related Health Outcomes in Vulnerable Populations

Status: Recruiting

Eligibility Criteria

Age: 18 years and over

This study is NOT accepting healthy

Healthy Volunteers: volunteers

Inclusion Criteria:

- 18 years of age or older
- Projected to be admitted to the hospital for the upcoming four days
- Speak English
- Able to provide consent.

Exclusion Criteria:

- Fear of, or allergy to, dogs
- Documented contact precautions
- Cognitive impairment that prevents consent or completion of measures.

Conditions & Interventions

Interventions:

Behavioral: Animal-assisted interaction, Behavioral: Conversational control

Conditions:

Loneliness, Depression, Anxiety, Quality of Life

More Information

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