

Meet the Trainer

Carol Peter, CPDT-KA, discovered her passion for training dogs as a shelter volunteer. There, she saw countless dogs surrendered by their humans due to behavioral issues that could have been addressed through proactive training and positive reinforcement techniques.

Her commitment to compassionate, positive training methods led her to achieve and maintain accreditation as Certified Professional Dog Trainer-Knowledge Assessed. She has honed her skills through continuing education and practical hands-on work.

Carol adheres to the highest standards of the dog training profession and maintains professional membership in the Association of Pet Dog Trainers.



About the CPDT-KA designation

The CCPDT currently offers a Certification for Professional Dog Trainers that assesses knowledge of the science of dog training and has an experiential requirement. This certification is titled the Certified Professional Dog Trainer-Knowledge Assessed (the CPDT-KA). This certification program is based on humane training practices and the latest scientific knowledge related to dog training. Competence and continued growth in training practices is promoted through the recertification of qualified professionals.

About the Association of Pet Dog Trainers

The Association of Pet Dog Trainers (APDT) is a professional organization of individual trainers who are committed to becoming better trainers through education. The mission of the APDT is to promote caring relationships between dogs and people by educating trainers in canine behavior and emphasizing professionalism and reward-based training.



Positive Methods. Positive Results.

Our training approach is based on establishing good communication between you and your dog—the basis for life-long learning and household harmony.

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A Practical Approach

Whether your objective is starting out on the right track with your new best friend or turning around a problem behavior, we can help.

We focus on helping you and your dog establish and maintain a healthy, loving lifetime relationship through positive reinforcement training methods.

By helping your dog learn what you want him to do, you'll spend less time and energy "fixing" problem behaviors down the line. As a result, a stronger bond is forged between you and your dog for life.

Even after problem behaviors surface, it's not too late to turn that behavior around using positive methods.

Your goals are our goals. We will design a training program that meets your needs. During our sessions we will demonstrate training methods, provide you with coaching as you practice the behaviors with your dog, and equip you with helpful training guides to continue the training process after we leave.



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Training is fun for everyone

We encourage your whole family to participate in training your dog. It's a fun experience for dog and humans alike and helps your dog build a strong relationship with every member of the family.

Training Services

Private training sessions are all about you and your dog.

You get:

- 100% of the trainer's time and attention;
- A customized training plan with support materials; and
- One-on-one coaching for you and all family members in the comfort of your home

We offer specialized behavior modification for complicated behavior problems, as well as standard packages for the most common training goals.

Specialized Training

More complex behavioral challenges—such as fear-based, destructive and aggressive behaviors—are best addressed with a customized training plan that we develop together. We start with a phone consultation to collect information. Then we will arrange an on-site private training session of 1 to 1½ hours to assess the behavior, talk with you and your family about a behavior modification plan and begin the training process.

We understand the stress and anxiety that a problem behavior can create. We have extensive experience and success dealing with fearful, aggressive, disruptive and destructive behaviors. Our positive reinforcement methods ensure that you are addressing the problem behavior without creating a "side effect" behavior down the line.

Standard Training Packages

Whether you have just brought home your new puppy or adult dog, or just want to improve some of your dog's household manners, one of our standard training packages fits the bill. Each package is designed to achieve some common goals. Packages consist of an initial phone consultation, on-site private training sessions lasting 1 to 1½ hours each, training guides, and a follow-up check-in phone call after the sessions have ended.

What some of our clients say about Cold Nose Companions

"We have two dogs (a 4-year-old terrier mix and a 1-year-old lab mix) that needed remedial training to correct some behavior issues: jumping on guests, walking properly on a



leash, coming when called, etc. The training Carol did was right on the money—she showed us to how to use positive reinforcement to get the results we wanted. The three sessions (and the homework!) were great for the remedial training we needed. Our friends and neighbors have commented

that our dogs are so much calmer now. I would highly recommend Cold Nose Companions to anyone who is training a new puppy or dog, or someone who wants to have a refresher course with their pet."

—Denise Reynolds & Carol Cover



"Carol exhibited all of the attributes we had to choose from. She was very personable, creative and a good value, too. Her dog training techniques started to show results from day one. Carol has the unique ability to communicate the "how's" and "why's" in such a manner that they are easily understood and executed after each lesson. Her lessons, "leadership style" format, homework instructions and training brochures were to the point and excellent resources for us. Carol was a total pleasure to work with and I would recommend her to anyone wanting a better experience with their pets."

— Julie & Jim Schmitz



"Rosie, a joyously obstreperous Border collie mix, remains a work in progress. We like to say she's had more education than our four children put together. Recently I asked Carol to come to the house and help me get Rosie ready for upcoming appearances as the PetFix mascot. We've been working on meet

and greet, shake, high five, and bowing. In between we spend time re-enforcing skills Rosie needs for her agility and rally obedience classes. Carol is doing a great job of teaching me to communicate with Rosie so she knows what it is I want her to do. Most of all, we have fun. That hour of learning with Rosie and Carol is a highlight of my week."

— Timy Sullivan