Biography

**Ruth Walsh BSc (Hons) Phys, PGDip (Vet Phys), MISCP, CPVP.**

Chartered Physiotherapist and Veterinary Physiotherapist.

Ruth qualified as a Chartered Physiotherapist from University College Dublin in 2008 and has worked extensively in the Health Service and private practice. Her keen interest in horses from a young age along with a background in competitive riding led her to complete a Post graduate Diploma in Veterinary Physiotherapy from the University of Liverpool. Ruth is currently involved in a research Masters from Liverpool on equine gait kinematics, hoping for publication in the near future. While there are many therapists in circulation, the highest qualification available is a PGDip/MSc in Veterinary Physiotherapy. Currently, Ruth is one of only four in the country with this level of education and experience.

Chartered Physiotherapists in Veterinary Practice (CPVP) is a clinical interest group of the Irish Society of Chartered Physiotherapists (ISCP) of which Ruth is a member. The ISCP is the regulatory body for Chartered Physiotherapists in Ireland. This ensures that any treatment provided by a Chartered Veterinary Physiotherapist will be evidence based and clinically reasoned.

Treatments include a full range of manual therapy, both joint and soft tissue mobilizations, electrotherapy, dry needling and exercise therapy. Ruth has a keen interest in the full holistic approach to treatment and works in conjunction with the veterinary surgeon, farrier and nutritionist to ensure optimal function for the horse.