## **Skyloch Villas Procedure for ESA**

- 1. An applicant for an ESA must submit a prescription /letter to the Skyloch Board from either their Physician or a Licensed Mental Health Professional (LMHP) typically a psychologist, psychiatrist, or therapist, stating that the applicant suffers from a mental or emotional disability and an ESA is necessary to alleviate the symptoms. The Physician or LMHP is not required to disclose the particulars of the mental or emotional disability.
- 2. This letter must be on LMHP letterhead, include license information and contact info to verify letter. The Board of Directors can verify LMHP license and authenticity of letter.
- 3. If the LMHP is out-of-state, they must indicate that they have provided care or services to the person on at least one prior occasion before issuing the opinion. Tele-counseling may qualify as acceptable.
- 4. The applicant must provide proof of state and local licensing and vaccinations for their ESA.
- 5. There is a website where you may register your ESA. There is no requirement to do this. If you are interested, the phone number is (480)823-5677.

## **Key Laws for Emotional Support Animals**

FHA, Sec 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Americans with Disabilities

FL Statutes, Chapter 760 -defines an ESA

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