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# Newsletter



# 2019 ANNUAL CONFERENCE REVIEW

As our annual conference has come to an end, we want to thank each KansABA member and conference attendees for continuing to make this a successful event! With your support, we have been able to invite remarkable presenters to our conferences. This year, we were also able to provide a pre-conference workshop opportunity! The overwhelming response to this years' annual conference, based off survey results, indicate our members were overwhelmingly satisfied! We are here to serve you and appreciate the feedback you provided. Many attendees would like to see an effort to reduce environmental waste at future events. We love this suggestion and are currently looking into ways of becoming more environmentally-friendly in the future!



# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTION RESULTS

Thank you for your participation in nominating and voting for KansABA officials! Please join us in congratulating the following newly elected and re-elected Executive Committee Officials!

- President: Allison Tetreault, PhD., BCBA-D, LBA
   This will be Allison's second term serving as KansABA's president.
- Secretary Elect: Brett Gelino
   This is Brett's first term serving as KansABA's secretary. Brett has served on KansABA as the Student Member Representative, Conference Committee Chair, and IT Board.
- Adjunct Member Representative: Katie Gower
   This will be Katie's second term serving as
   KansABA's Adjunct Member Representative.
- Student Member Representative: Sandra Ruby
   This will be Sandra's first term serving as
   KansABA's Student Member Representative.

Stay tuned to future newletters to learn more about KansABA Officials!

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **MINI CONFERENCES:**

September 14, 2019: Effective Training

Models: Considerations when Using Behavior Skills Training

Presented by: Dr. Sacha Pence, PhD, BCBA-D



Dr. Sacha Pence has served as the Director of the Applied Behavior Analysis program at Drake University since 2017. She earned her bachelor's degree from Northern Michigan University, master's degree from Northeastern University, and PhD from West Virginia University. She has 15 peer reviewed publications and two book chapters.

Did you know...

Each mini conference offers 3 CEUs for a total of 9 per year!

- Time: 9:00am to noon
- Location: BEST 230; KU Edwards Campus; 12604
   Quivira Rd., Overland Park, KS
- Cost: Advanced registration for KansABA members is available for \$10 for attendance only, or \$40 for attendance and 3 CEUs
- Registration: visit our website at <u>kansaba.org</u> to register

**November 2, 2019:** Measuring Behavioral Effects of Psychotropic Medications

- Presented by: Dr. Jennifer Zarcone, PhD, BCBA & Dr. Annette Griffith, PhD, BCBA-D
- Time: 9:00am to noon
- Location: KU Edwards Campus; 12604 Quivira Rd., Overland Park, KS

# CAMBRIDGE CENTER FOR BEHAVIORAL STUDIES & THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE CONFERENCE:

**November 22, 2019:** Behavioral Science: Applications in Leadership and Supervision

- Speakers: Dr. Ellie Kazemi, PhD, BCBA-D; Dr. Florence D. DiGennaro Reed, PhD, BCBA-D; Dr. Rob Hodsambeck, EdD, LCP, BCBA-D; Dr. Janet Twyman, PhD, BCBA, LBA; Dr. Thomas Zane, PhD, BCBA-D; & featuring Dr. E. Scott Geller, PhD
- Location: KU Edwards Campus; 12604 Quivira Rd., Overland Park, KS
- Visit <u>behavior.org</u> for more information on this event

#### **KANSABA ANNUAL CONFERENCE:**

**April 18, 2020:** Community, Social, and Sustainability Issues: A Beahvior Analyst's Call to Action

- Keynote Speaker: Dr. Susan Schneider
- More details to come!



# **LEGISLATIVE UPDATES**

In Kansas, the legislative session has come to an end. This session did not include any bills relating to behavior analysis in the state of Kansas.

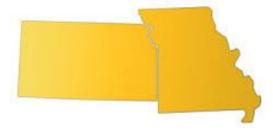
In Missouri, the legislative session is in the final stages. Bills introduced in both the House and the Senate requiring certain health care professionals (including licensed behavior analysts) to complete up to two hours of cultural competency training. These bills appeared to die in both the House and the Senate.

The legislative committee followed 2 more bills (SB45 and HB399). These bills attempted to add therapeutic care, including applied behavior analysis, for all children with developmental and physical disabilities. Unfortunately, applied behavior analysis was stripped from the bill. The language of the bill was updated to ensure that individuals with an autism diagnosis are still able to receive ABA therapy.

The legislative committee has also contacted the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board (BSRB) to discuss the process for BCBAs and BCaBA's, who are licensed in Kansas, to align their BACB renewal with the Kansas license renewal.

The Executive Director of the Kansas BSRB, Max Foster, indicated that a Licensed Behavior Analyst (LBA) or Licensed Assistant Behavior Analyst (LaBA) in Kansas can renew their Kansas license in a shortened time period. In order to renew in a shortened time period, the LBA/LaBA would need to contact the BSRB's renewal specialist when they apply to renew their license, and let the renewal specialist know that they are wanting to change their license renewal date to coincide with their BACB certification renewal date.

Additionally, for every license renewal period, even if it is shortened by the licensee to synchronize their Kansas License with BACB Certification, the continuing education requirements outlined in K.A.R. 102-8-9 must still be met.



For any legislative/governmental concerns, please contact us at legislation.kansasaba@gmail.com

Find your legislator in Kansas: http://www.kslegislature.org/li/

Find your legislator in Missouri: https://www.mo.gov/government/ elected-officials/



# **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Please, visit our website at www.kansaba.org for more information on upcoming events, membership, and registration for conferences. We can also be found on Facebook as Kansas Association for Behavior Analysis. Make sure to like and follow our page to receive all information regarding updates to the annual and mini conferences, as well as legislative updates as pertinent.

Website Link	Facebook Group Link
www.kansaba.org	www.facebook.com/KansasABA

#### **HELP US NAME OUR NEWSLETTER!**

Our new newsletter needs a name! Please participate in a contest to name it. We are looking for ideas that are fun, informative, creative, and behavior analytic. Submissions can be emailed to kansasaba@gmail.com where these suggestions will be pooled and reviewed. The KansABA Executive Committee will then select the name from among the submissions. The winner will receive a prize, so let's hear your ideas! Good luck!

# **INFORMATION REVIEW**

### SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

KansaABA promotes the development of special interest groups (SIGs)! We recognize that KansABA's members have a range of interests in teaching, research, service, and practice. KansABA is committed to support SIGs in the following areas:

- Assist them with recruitment, promotion, and dissemination
- Publish SIG news and announcements on the KansABA website and in its conference program

- Host SIG business meetings at the KansABA conferences
- Co-sponsor continuing education events
- Maintain links between the SIGs and KansABA's websites.

If you are interested in forming a SIG, please email a completed application and by-laws to <a href="mailto:kansasaba@gmail.com">kansasaba@gmail.com</a>. More information, applications, and a by-laws template can be found on our website

#### MASS EMAIL SERVICE

For subscribing members, upcoming newsletters, and public distribution

KansABA is initiating a new email system to expand its ability to distribute necessary, informative, and relevant materials to its members en masse, as well as creating a systematic forum for more focused, individual communication between KansABA and its members. In turn, this will allow KansABA members to determine what information they feel is important to them as an individual and a professional. Following the opening of membership enrollment for the upcoming year KansABA will be disseminating, and wishes to receive, respective materials through email accounts associated with (a) KansABA Executive Council and membership information (kansasaba@gmail.com), (b) event registration information (registration.kansasaba@gmail.com), (c) topics in professional development (professionaldevelop.kansasaba@gmail.com), and (d) topics in legislation (legislation.kansasaba@gmail.com). Although members may initially receive emails from each of these accounts, members retain the ability to unsubscribe from, or re-subscribe to, this content at any time. Unless otherwise noted, unsubscribing and re-subscribing can be completed by simply emailing the respective account.

Subsequently, outside entities may too communicate with KansABA members using the new mass emailing system. All content submitted from outside entities will be peer-reviewed to ensure compliance with KansABA's Mission. Additionally, all non-KansABA information will be distributed



by KansABA on behalf of the outside entity. That is, at no point in time will KansABA distribute the personal information of its members, including email addresses. This service is available solely at the discretion of KansABA and KansABA does not endorse any outside entity. Outside entities wishing to use KansABA's mass emailing service will be asked to complete and submit the KansABA Request for Dissemination of Information.

The following content may be disseminated and received through the respective KansABA account:

Account	Email	Content
KansABA Executive Council	kansasaba@gmail.com	Membership information & inquiries     Voting & nominating positions     General updates & feedback     General inquiries
Registration	registration.kansasaba@gmail.com	KansABA Annual information & inquiries     KansABA CEU Mini-Conference information & inquiries
Professional Development	professionaldevelop.kansasaba@gmail.com	Non-KansABA conference & seminar information & inquiries     Job availability postings     Research opportunity postings
Legislation	legislation.kansasaba@gmail.com	Local, state, & national legislation updates & initiatives Legislative inquiries Insurance billing information & inquiries purposed for legislative change

Information for outside entities regarding dissemination of information through KansABA is available on the website, including forms to submit a dissemination request.

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