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Behavior Analysis Peer Review Committee

The Behavior Analysis Peer Review Committee (BAPRC) is a committee of individuals who hold a doctorate from a graduate program specializing in the field of behavior analysis and who have extensive experience in developmental disabilities. The purpose of the committee is to provide expertise in the field of applied behavior analysis (ABA) to the Division of Developmental Disabilities in addressing the needs of the individuals served in an advisory role. This committee provides the following services as requested by the division: advocates best practice standards in the field of applied behavior analysis, insures that behavioral supports services embody the ethical standards of this field, offers technical assistance to regions or provider agencies, conducts on site reviews of provider agencies, conducts staff training, and advises the Division of Developmental Disabilities concerning matters of policy, systems, and procedures.

Descriptions of the members of the 2012 BAPRC are listed below.

Chair

Jim Johnston, Ph.D., BCBA

Dr. Johnston received his doctorate from the University of Florida in 1970 and is professor emeritus of psychology at Auburn University. He has conducted both laboratory and field research with both human and non-human species on a variety of topics, ranging from rumination to canine olfaction, most recently serving as Director of Behavioral Research for the Institute for Biological Detection Systems. His present activities focus on longstanding interests in the area of developmental disabilities. He founded and served as and director of the Department of Psychology's Master's Program in Applied Behavior Analysis in Developmental Disabilities and has for some years been involved with the Alabama Department of Mental health and Mental Retardation in facilitating the statewide delivery of sound habilitative services, following similar involvement in Florida's mental retardation system while on the faculty of the University of Florida from 1975-1985. He has served as editor of *The Behavior Analyst* and on the editorial boards of the *Journal of the Experimental Analysis of Behavior* and the *Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis*, among others. He has also served as president of the Association for Behavior Analysis, as well as for the Florida, Alabama, and Southeastern affiliate chapters of the Association, and served for many years as the president of the Behavior Analysis Certification Board. In addition to authoring numerous journal and technical publications, he has co-authored a text in research methods for studying behavior, now in its third edition, and has additional teaching interests in applied behavior analysis and in conceptual issues in the study of behavior.

Members

Martin Ivancic, Ph.D., BCBA

Martin Ivancic, Ph.D. received degrees from Case Western Reserve University, Western Michigan University, and Florida State University studying with Drs. Jon Bailey, Brian Iwata, and Dennis Reid in addition to completing an internship at the John F. Kennedy Institute of Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, MD. He has worked in the field of developmental disabilities and head injury for 36 years including work as a therapist, programmer, program director, director of staff development, behavioral consultant, psychologist, and senior psychologist. He is a Licensed Psychologist and Board Certified Behavior Analyst. Currently, he is a Senior Psychologist at the J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center, Morganton, NC. He has published 19 research articles or chapters including work on skill training, staff management, reinforcer assessment, and happiness. He has participated with students and co-workers in over 200 data presentations addressing the clinical issues of his consumers emphasizing life-quality for people with profound, multiple handicaps. He is a member and past president of the North Carolina Association for Behavior Analysis (NCABA) and a member of the Association for Behavior Analysis, International (ABAI).

Coby Lund, Ph.D., BCBA

Dr. Lund has been working with children and adults with developmental disabilities in the southeastern U.S. for 15 years. Dr. Lund earned his BA degree from the University of Nebraska, MS degree from Southern Illinois University, and PhD from Florida State University. In the early 90's, both Dr. Lund and his wife began working with abused and neglected children in Illinois. During graduate school, they began working primarily with children with disabilities, specializing in autistic spectrum disorders since 1995. In 2000, they created Integrated Behavioral Solutions, Inc., which provides Applied Behavior Analysis services to children with autism throughout the southeast, both in school systems and in homes. In 2007, they began a special needs ministry for children with autism at Christian Church Buckhead that includes 6 bachelor's level therapists and 3 Board Certified Behavior Analysts. In 2008, with Ann and Tom Lane, they opened the Keystone Center for Children with Autism, a non-profit school for children on the spectrum. They are also regularly invited to conduct workshops in the Southeast and Midwest to teach educators, therapists, and families how to use empirically validated interventions to address the language, social, cognitive, and behavioral needs of children on the spectrum.

Janet Lund, Ph.D., BCBA-D

Dr. Janet Lund received her Ph.D. from Florida State University in 1999. She has worked in the field of developmental disabilities for 19 years. Dr. Janet Lund has worked in school settings, residential facilities, and home settings. Dr. Lund specializes in skill acquisition programming, intensive language intervention, and behavioral reduction programs for individuals with developmental and intellectual disabilities. Along with her husband, Dr. Coby Lund, she started Integrated Behavioral Solutions, Inc. in Atlanta Georgia, which is a consulting organization providing services to children and adults with developmental disabilities with an emphasis in the area of autism services. She also works in the field of Organizational Behavior Management with Aubrey Daniels International where she utilizes the science of Applied Behavior Analysis to consult with organizations to improve staff performance. Dr. Lund is also a founding member

and current board member for Keystone Center for Children with Autism, a non-profit school for students with autism.

Pat McGreevy, Ph.D., BCBA

Dr. McGreevy received B.S. and M.A. degrees in Psychology and Special Education, respectively, from the University of Iowa. He was a special education teacher for eight years, working with children and young adults with moderate-severe developmental disabilities, including autism. He received the Ph.D. degree in Education from Kansas University under the guidance of Ogden R. Lindsley. Dr. McGreevy served as an assistant research professor in the Institute for Community Studies and the Department of Special Education at the University of Missouri-Kansas City and as an assistant professor in the Department of Special Education at Louisiana State University. He taught courses in applied behavior analysis, as well as curriculum and instruction for students with moderate-severe disabilities. He is the author of *Teaching and Learning in Plain English*, an introduction to Precision Teaching, and the founder and first editor of the *Journal of Precision Teaching*. He is also the author of eight journal articles. Dr. McGreevy has directed a private practice in Behavior Analysis in Winter Park, FL since 1995. He and his associates provide hands-on training and serve as a consulting behavior analysts for school districts, private agencies, and families in the United States, the United Kingdom, and several other countries. They specialize in the treatment of children and adults with moderate-severe developmental disabilities, including autism, who exhibit aggressive behavior, self-injurious behavior, and/or limited communication or language skills. Dr. McGreevy and his associates use scientifically validated procedures from Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), especially from B.F. Skinner's analysis of Verbal Behavior. Since 2005, he has served as a assistant professor in the Behavior Analysis Program at the Florida Institute of Technology. Dr. McGreevy conducts workshops on the treatment of non-compliance and severe problem behavior and the teaching of communication skills and language using principles and procedures from ABA and, especially from B.F. Skinner's analysis of Verbal Behavior.

Dennis Reid, Ph.D., BCBA

Dennis Reid received his Ph.D. from Florida State University in 1975. He has over 35 years experience as a manager and behavioral clinician, and has consulted with human service agencies in the majority of states of the United States as well as Canada and New Zealand. He has published over 130 refereed journal articles focusing on applied behavior analysis and developmental disabilities. He has served on numerous editorial boards and as Associate Editor for the *Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis*, *Behavior Analysis in Practice*, and *Journal of Organizational Behavior Management*. In 2007 he was awarded Fellowship status in the Association for Behavior Analysis International and in 2006 received the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Annual Research Award. He is the founder and current director of the Carolina Behavior Analysis and Support Center in Morganton, North Carolina. His company provides behavior analysis services for schools, residential centers, and community living arrangements providing supports for individuals with intellectual disabilities and has employed adults with severe disabilities in a supported work capacity for the last 15 years.

Mary Riordan, Ph.D., BCBA

Dr. Mary Riordan received her undergraduate degree from Eastern Michigan University and then went on to do graduate work at Western Michigan University where she studied under Brian Iwata. She worked for 2 years at the Kennedy Institute at Johns Hopkins Medical School, where she conducted pioneering research on behavioral treatment of pediatric feeding problems. In 1980 she moved to Florida to complete her doctorate at FSU under Jon Bailey. While endeavoring to finish that degree, she began her 29-year association with Behavior Management Consultants, Inc. in Tallahassee Florida. She currently consults in Florida, Georgia, and Kentucky. Her work with individuals, facilities, and organizations focuses on performance management, staff training, analysis and treatment of severe inappropriate behaviors, teaching functional skills, developmental disabilities, developing behavioral systems, and regulatory compliance. Dr. Riordan is the immediate past president of the Florida Association of Behavior Analysis and the chair of the legislative and public policy committee.

Merrill Winston, Ph.D., BCBA

Dr. Merrill Winston has worked as a behavior analyst in the field of developmental disabilities for over 20 years. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Florida majoring in psychology. It was at the University of Florida as an undergraduate that he first began his work with persons with developmental disabilities as a direct care staff member at a large developmental services institution. He earned his Ph.D. at Auburn University in 1992, after which he moved back to Florida and worked for 9 years as the Senior Behavior Analyst at a large state-run residential facility for adults with developmental disabilities. He has been the Director of Program Development for the Professional Crisis Management Association 2002. Dr. Winston specializes in the analysis and treatment of severe behavior disorders with special populations. His range of treatment experience includes feeding disorders, self-injury, severe aggression, language acquisition, and skill acquisition problems. Dr. Winston conducts presentations on a wide variety of topics in behavior analysis including psychotropic medication usage, mental illness, autism, exceptional student education, assessment and treatment of behavior problems, IEP goal selection and measurement, and a variety of conceptual issues as they relate to conducting behavior analysis and treatment with a broad range of populations. He has worked in a variety of settings including private homes, group homes, large institutions, secured facilities, schools and day-treatment programs. He is an experienced expert witness and frequently consults with attorneys, parents and advocates of persons with disabilities. He currently spends at least one day a week as the Behavior Analysis Consultant for Palm Beach County Schools, which is the 11th largest school district in the nation. He sees children in special education classrooms throughout Palm Beach County's 184 Schools. Dr. Winston has worked "hands on" with a variety of individuals with severe aggression and self-injury and has worked side by side with direct care staff in a variety of settings.