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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. The Chicago School of Professional Psychology, 2019
Applied Behavior Analysis

M.S. Walden University, 2010
Psychology

B.A. Arizona State University, 2004
Special Education

CERTIFICATION AND LICENSE

Board Certified Behavior Analyst – Doctoral # *1-10-7741*

Licensed Behavior Analyst, Arizona #*BA-59*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Association for Behavior Analysis International (ABAI): 2011- present

Arizona Association for Behavior Analysis (AzABA): 2011-present
ACT/RFT SIG Member: 2018 – present

Association for Contextual Behavioral Science (ACBS):2014-present

Rocky Mountain ACBS: 2015-present

Arizona Autism Coalition: 2011-present

Four Corners Association for Behavior Analysis (4CABA): 2008-2011
Student Director: 2010 & 2011

POSITIONS HELD

2015 – Present: Clinical Director for Family and Community Services, Arizona Autism United

2010 – 2015: Program Director, Arizona Autism United

2010- 2011: Adjunct Faculty for ABA Graduate Course Sequence, Arizona State University

2008 – 2010: Program Manager, Arizona Autism United

2006 – 2008: Program Specialist, Arizona Autism United

2005 -2008: Special Education Teacher, Tempe Elementary School District

2008: Summer Camp Director, Southwest Autism Research and Resource Center

2003 – 2004: Developmental Playgroup Facilitator, Southwest Autism Research and Resource Center

2002 – 2004: Habilitation Therapist, New Haven Support Services

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION

2019, February-April: *Prosocial Facilitator Training* with Paul Atkins Ph.D.

2015, March-present: Acceptance and commitment training (ACT) supervision with John P. Forsyth Ph.D.

2014, March-August: *Kazdin Method Parent Management Training Certification*, Parent Management Training Institute with Tracie Bush, M.A., CKPMT

2012, November-December: *Intensive Supervisor Training*, Center for Autism and Related Disorders.

2010, July-August: *IABA Summer Institute*, Institute for Applied Behavior Analysis with Gary LaVigna Ph.D., BCBA-D & Tom Willis Ph.D.

SEMINAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2019, October: *Mastering the Clinical Conversation* (2-day workshop) with Matthieu Villatte Ph.D. Phoenix, AZ.

2018, September: *ACT Bootcamp for Behavior Analysts* (4-day workshop) with Steven Hayes Ph.D., Jonathan Tarbox Ph.D., BCBA-D, Evelyn Gould Ph.D. BCBA-D, Tom Szabo Ph.D., BCBA-D, & Stuart Libman Ph.D. Baltimore, MD.

2017, March: *Focused Acceptance and Commitment Therapy* (2-day workshop) with Kirk Strosahl Ph.D. and Patricia Robinson Ph.D. Casa Grande, AZ.

2015, October: *ACT II: Acceptance and Commitment Therapy Clinical-Skills Building Intensive* (2-day workshop) with Steven Hayes Ph.D. Sacramento, CA.

2012, April: *Ethics Lab* (1-day workshop) with Jon Bailey Ph.D., BCBA-D. Phoenix, AZ.

2009, December: *Experimental Functional Analysis* (2-day workshop) with Brian Iwata, Ph.D., BCBA-D. San Jose, CA.

2008, November: *Applied Verbal Behavior* (1-day workshop) with James Partington, PhD, BCBA-D. Mesa, AZ.

EDITORIAL SERVICE

2017: Guest Reviewer, *The Education and Treatment of Children*

2018: Guest Reviewer, *The Journal of Contextual Behavioral Science*

RESEARCH PAPERS

Werntz, E. J. (2019) *An evaluation of a more-adaptive treatment of elopement using modern technology for children with developmental disabilities* (Doctoral dissertation). Available from ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Global. (2270065853).

Werntz, E.J. (2016) *Using Peer Delivered, Social Reinforcement to Increase Participation in a Parent Training Program*. (Unpublished thesis). The Chicago School of Professional Psychology. Chicago, Ill.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS

Werntz, E.J. (2020) *Clinical Family Coaching: An Example of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy in Behavioral Caregiver Training*. In E.E. Bertoli (Chair), *ACTions Speak Louder Than Words: The Vast Utility of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy Inside ABA Agencies*. Symposium conducted at the Association for Behavior Analysis International 46th Annual Convention. Washington, D.C.

Werntz, E.J. (2019) *A framework for treating challenging behavior in family contexts*. Presented at the Raising Special Kids Symposium. Phoenix, AZ.

Werntz, E.J. (2018, 2019) *ACT, what it is and what you can do with it: An experiential workshop for behavior analysts* Conducted for the Arizona State University, MS ABA Pro-Series. Tempe, AZ.

- Werntz, E.J. (2016) *Behavior Management with Mindfulness and Values: A Toolkit for Parents*. Presented at the Touchstone Trauma Conference. Glendale, AZ.
- Werntz, E.J. (2015.) *Behavioral Health at AZA United: Dynamic Treatment for Dynamic Families*. Presented at the Arizona Association for Behavior Analysis Annual Conference. Phoenix, AZ.
- Werntz, E.J. (2015) *Evidence based behavior change methods for children on and off the autism spectrum*. at Presented the 24th Annual Celebrate the Young Child Conference. Phoenix, AZ.
- Werntz, E.J. (2015) *A Parent Training Model for Families Affected by Autism and Co-morbid Psychiatric Disorders*. Presented at the Touchstone Trauma Conference, Glendale, AZ.
- Werntz, E.J. (2014) *Beyond ABA & Autism: Taking a transdisciplinary approach to the treatment of families in the Arizona behavioral health system* Presented at the 3rd Annual Arizona Autism United Transdisciplinary Conference. Phoenix, AZ.
- Werntz, E.J. (2011) *Problem Behavior & Intervention*. Presented at the Arizona Autism United Transdisciplinary Conference. Phoenix, AZ.
- Werntz, E.J. (2011) *Fundamentals of Applied Behavior Analysis*. Presented at the Arizona Autism United Transdisciplinary Conference. Phoenix, AZ.
- Werntz, E.J. (2010) *Autism, Behavior, & Quality of Life* at the Surprise Disability Summit. Surprise, AZ.

PANEL DISCUSSIONS

- Werntz, E.J., Tarbox, C., Gould, E.J., Pritchard, J.K., Canon, L.F. (2020, July). In T.J. Falterman (Chair) *Implementations of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy in the Context of Applied Behavior Analysis Treatment Program*. Panel discussion conducted at the Association for Contextual Behavior Science 18th Annual World Conference. New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Gould, E. R., Pritchard, J. K., & Werntz, E. J. (2018, May). In D. O. Rachal (Chair), *The Meaning of Mattering: Values in Applied and Clinical Behavior Analysis*. Panel discussion conducted at the Association for Behavior Analysis International 44th Annual Convention. San Diego, California.
- Hahs, A.D. Werntz, E.J., & Duarte, S. (2019, July) In C.A. Beranek (Chair) *The Ethical Behavior Analyst: Considerations of ACT in Practice*. Panel discussion conducted at Arizona Association of Behavior Analysis Continuing Education Event. Tempe, Arizona.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Werntz, E.J., Brandt, J.A., Spear, J., Flynn, S. (2020) *An evaluation of a more-adaptive treatment of elopement using modern technology for children with developmental disabilities.* Poster presented at the Association for Behavior Analysis International 46th Annual Convention. Washington, D.C.

Werntz, E.J. (2018) *Using peer delivered, social reinforcement to increase participation in a parent training program.* Poster presented at the annual doctoral residency at the Chicago School of Professional Psychology, Chicago, Ill.