Nevada Board of Applied Behavior Analysis Statement on COVOID-19 March 26, 2020

As you are aware, at the direction of Governor Sisolak, state functioning is limited and staff is required to telecommute in response to the emerging COVID-19, until further notice.

As a result of the current and future status of the state, the Board of Applied Behavior Analysis will be closed to the public until further notice. Given this closure, scheduled and future board hearings and meetings have been placed on hold.

Despite the closure to the public, effort will be made to process applications as quickly as possible, given the current restrictions. No jurisprudence examinations will be given to BCBAs and/or BCaBAs during this time. In addition, there may be lulls in registering RBTs with the state due to testing sites closing nation-wide; because state law requires behavior technicians to be credentialed with the BACB as an RBT, we cannot register an RBT until the applicant possesses that credential. We ask for your patience during this time, as there will likely be delays. In order to expedite the process under these conditions, certificants and registrants will receive via email copies of licenses and registrations. Hard copies of certification and registration will resume when restrictions are removed at the state level.

In relation to guidance related to your practice during these unprecedented times, we direct you to NABA, the BACB, and APBA, as well as encourage you to engage in the health recommendations that have been provided at both the state and national levels. We want to refer specifically to the email guidance related to COVID-19 sent by the BACB on March 19, 2020.

You may continue to email <u>ABABoads@adsd.nv.gov</u>, with questions regarding the practice of behavior analysis in the state, and will receive a response within two business days.

We hope everyone stays healthy and safe during these uncertain times.