

# Four Corners Association for Behavior Analysis Officers



## **President:**

**Anne Kupfer, MS,** is currently a Faculty Research Associate in the Dept of Psychology at Arizona State University studying children's normal socio-emotional development. She obtained her undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University of Florida in Gainesville, FL in the Experimental Analysis of Behavior with a minor in comparative animal behavior. She worked with autistic and developmentally delayed children and adolescents in Massachusetts for almost 14 years before retiring into academia. Her research interests include adjunctive behavior, emotional behavior, and behavior regulation.

## **President Elect:**

**Erin Rasmussen, PhD:** received her PhD from Auburn University in the Experimental Analysis of Behavior with an emphasis in behavioral toxicology and pharmacology, under the direction of Chris Newland. She worked as an assistant professor at the College of Charleston for three years, and is currently an associate professor of psychology at Idaho State University. She conducts research on the behavioral pharmacology of food and exercise reinforcement using animal models of obesity (and humans), with special emphasis on the cannabinoid and opioid neurotransmitter systems. She also conducts research on choice and decision-making in humans. She has published recently in such journals as the *Journal of the Experimental Analysis of Behavior*, *Behavioral Pharmacology*, *Pharmacology*, *Biochemistry and Behavior*, and *Behavioural Processes*.



## **Treasurer:**

**Tina Hanson, MS, BCBA** is a behavior analyst for Developmental Disability Resource Center in Lakewood, Colorado. Ms. Hanson holds a master's degree in Behavior Analysis and Therapy from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, and is a Board Certified Behavior Analyst. She has worked with individuals with Developmental Disabilities exhibiting challenging behaviors for 12 years. Clinical



interests include teaching skills to persons with developmental disabilities as a way to replace challenging behaviors. Critical skills to teach include anger management, problems solving, behavior relaxation, functional communication training, and other various social skills. She also strives to teach staff and caregivers effective ways of interacting with persons who present with challenging behaviors. She taught "Introduction to Behavior Analysis" at Metropolitan State College of Denver, has presented at various professional conferences, and has developed and trained curricula on various topics related to the field of Applied Behavior Analysis. Ms. Hanson has an interest in providing forensic services and recently testified in court as an expert witness in applied behavior analysis.



**Secretary:**

**Nicole Bank, MS, BCBA** received her undergraduate degrees at the University of Colorado-Boulder in Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences and in Psychology. She received her master's degree in Behavior Analysis from the University of North Texas. She is a member of the Association for Behavior Analysis (ABA), the Association for Behavior Analysis Autism SIG and the Texas Association for Behavior Analysis (TXABA). Nicole has been working with children with autism for 10 years as an implementer, a senior therapist and a consultant. She has experience in mand training, play skills, PECS training, fluency based instruction, token systems, behavior reduction, toilet training, intensive feeding treatments and enjoys developing individualized treatment programs for a wide range of skill sets. Nicole also enjoys developing efficient data systems, training

parents and school personnel in behavior analytic technologies, and applying basic research findings to the applied setting. She is currently a behavior analyst at Developmental Behavioral Health, Inc. DBH, Inc. has the highest concentration of behavior analysts in Southern Colorado.

**Board of Directors:**

**Travis Blevins, MS, BCBA** has been providing services for individuals with special needs for over 16 years. He received his master's degree in Behavior Analysis from the University of North Texas under Dr. Richard Smith. Travis is a member of the Association of Behavior Analysis, is a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA), and has spoken and presented research findings at the Texas Association of Behavior Analysis (TxABA), at the Annual International Association for Behavior Analysis, and at Timber Ridge Ranch Neuro-Rehabilitation Center in Benton, Arkansas. Travis has a passion for developing evidence-based treatments, and using empirically validated interventions to increase the



independence and inclusion of individuals with special needs. He is committed to the dissemination of the principles of applied behavior analysis, and the transference of pragmatic technology to administrators, care-givers, parents, staff, and family members of individuals with disabilities. Travis is dedicated to developing behavior acquisition strategies to teach individuals more appropriate ways of communicating their needs and wants. Travis is currently the clinical director for Behavior Services of the Rockies (<http://www.bsotr.com>) and a behavior analyst at Imagine! Colorado (<http://www.imaginecolorado.org>). He also is the proud father of two children, and lives with his wife in Colorado.

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**Pamela Martien, M.Ed., BCBA** received her master’s degree In Early Childhood Special Education and Autism and Developmental Disabilities from the University of Texas at Austin. She has worked with individuals with developmental disabilities for 10 years as a teacher, program coordinator, and consultant. She is a member of the Association of Behavior Analysis (ABA) and The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC). Pam is currently employed as a Behavior Analyst with Developmental Disabilities Resource Center in Lakewood, Colorado. Previously, Pam worked privately throughout the Denver Metro area as a consultant supporting individuals with autism spectrum disorders with focus on treating children and adults who present with challenging behaviors. Pam has treated individuals in residential, home, community, clinic, school, and nursing home settings. Her aim is the promotion of independence that allows individuals to express and articulate their needs for themselves. Invested in collaborating with professionals from other disciplines, her passion is the dissemination of behavioral principles to a wider audience of individuals working in the field of developmental disabilities. Pam has developed trainings for staff in various settings based on behavioral methodologies. Trainings have been customized for professionals such as teachers, para professionals, day treatment program staff, occupational therapists, physical therapists, and speech-language pathologists.



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**Peter Killeen, PhD** was born to a mailman and housewife on the day the Alaskan Highway was completed, his mother swearing hers was the greater labor. He took a BS from MSU, which is not in Ann Arbor; and a PhD from Harvard, for showing that the harmonic rate of reinforcement controlled choice. This was not generally understood, so he left to Fort Skinner in the Desert, where he now resides, and whose scorching sun can be the only excuse for his behavior today.

