

IN-ABC

Indiana Association of Behavioral Consultants

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Through professional advocacy, support and development, IN-ABC promotes effective, ethical and quality behavioral services.

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Board Members Present:

Gina Schenk- President, Michelle Webster- Vice President, Rob Westcott,- Treasurer, CJ Gallihugh - At Large, Kim Adkins - At Large,

1) Presidents Report:

- 2018 INABC Conference- November 1st and 2nd at the Windham, Indianapolis. Rooms will be available Wednesday and Thursday. Key Note- Kari Dunn Buron. She is the author of *The Incredible Five Point Scale*.
- Review of provision in by-laws regarding subcontractors (see handout). Motion to remove subcontractor language regarding eligibility. Unanimously approved.
- DSPIN-
 - DSPIN- IN-ARF was supporting DSPIN. They will become a 501C3. They need assistance in this. Partners and Practice Committee met and discussed assisting DSPIN board members
 - Plan is to have DSPIN join us for lunch on the first day of INABC conference.
 - DSPIN board meeting in February - A Member of IN-ABC to be on their board. Sara Jo Fiflet is on the board.
 - The first task is to develop a membership structure that DSP's can become annual members of DSPIN to generate some revenue.
 - Up to 200 people attend DSPIN conference typically.
 - Website - Create a link for them spin off our website?
 - We would not become their treasurer. Insights is going to open up account to assist DSPIN-
 - Mentorships- They have decided they were not getting what they needed from the National DSP association. - They are not going to be joining again.
 - Code of ethics. DSPIN needs to create.

2) **Treasurer's Report: (See attachment)** 2018 Budget - Approved Unanimously
Contributions ARC of Indiana

3) **Secretary's Report:**

2018 Membership Drive

4) **Committee Reports:**

- a) **Professional Credentialing Committee:** 3 new RBC's, 1-2 Pending
- b) **Ethics Committee:** No ethics complaints
- c) **Risk Management Committee:** Michelle board rep. Lindsey, Ronnie, Trena, Bree Herron
- d) **Partners and Practice Committee:** Welcome package - Send to rep for each membership, (i.e. flash drive, share docs with employees, code of ethics, logo, resources file)
- e) **Liaison's Report :** Kelly Hartman (via written report)

PC-ISP Process

The official rollout has been delayed and current resources are focused on training case managers. In general, most people are excited about this - but are challenged by the lack of a form or a checklist...and the fact that it is a process. <http://www.in.gov/fssa/ddrs/5437.htm> This is the link to watch for updates. The ability to move funds around within an individual's allocation (ie, buckets went away) did go into place January 1st, 2018. It is expected that changes, if any, wil occur with individuals annual.

Legislative Session

Senate Bill 355 ABA Licensure : As shared on 1/10/18 from contactinabc@gmail.com legislation is being presented to licenses ABA Therapists. To watch this bill – it is listed as SB 355 the website to monitor this bill can be found at <https://iga.in.gov/legislative/2018/bills/senate/355#document-51ef69e1> While I have not yet been told when the reading will be – I will keep you posted.

Senate Bill 224: While not specific to Behavioral Consultants in practice with the waiver, will likely impact many people seeking licensure. The digest is as follows: Behavioral health and human services licensing. Allows up to 50% of the supervised experience hours required for licensure as the following to be accounted for through virtual supervision by the appropriate supervisor: (1) Clinical social worker. (2) Mental health counselor. (3) Marriage and family therapist. (4) Addiction counselor. Requires an applicant for licensure as a mental health counselor or mental health counselor associate to complete a clinical practicum, an internship, or field experience in a counseling setting of at least 700 clock hours, including at least 66 hours of face to face supervision. (Current law requires an applicant for licensure

BQIS

As shared at the Annual Conference – I expect the conversation of accreditation of some kind to resurface – as Behavioral Consultants are the only waiver providers currently not subject to licensure of accreditation. BQIS will begin doing more data driven review visits with Behavioral Providers – so do not be surprised if they call you for a visit. If you are a part of a larger multiservice provider that typically goes through a process like CARF or CQL, I would encourage you to seek your behavioral services be accredited as well. I will keep you posted if anything else is discussed.

DSPIN

We continue to move forward with a partnership between INABC and DSPIN. This has been favorably received by DDRS, and INARF is willing to collaborate around training efforts as well via their Training and Professional Development Committee. While we will cohost our annual conference efforts in November, it seems that INARF will also host some localized training events – perhaps one north and one south. We will all co-communicate efforts – and Nick Stellema from the DSPIN Board has been added as a member to the INARF TPD Committee. Our PP Committee will continue mentoring efforts to DSPIN in their evolving process.

Respectfully submitted,

Susanne Bauer, secretary