

California Association for Behavior Analysis

Public Policy Committee Chairperson Position Description

Term: Two years (July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2012)

Estimated Time Commitment: approximately 20 hours per month on average, but up to 10 hours per week depending on the committee's work and the need for meetings with California's legislative representatives.

General Overview:

According to the CalABA Bylaws, the Public Policy/Legislative Committee Chairperson "assist the Board of Directors in maintaining current information regarding national and state laws and regulations that might affect behavior analysis."

Specific Responsibilities:

1. Monitor, track, and research policy and legislative activities in California that may effect the practice of ABA and CalABA.
2. Meet and educate meeting policymakers about ABA, CalABA, and the practice of behavior analysis, as needed.
3. Work with the CalABA BOD to respond in a timely and legally-appropriate manner to inquiries from CalABA members, policymakers, and the general public when public policy/legislative affairs issues arise.
4. Mobilize the CalABA Board of Directors and its general membership as needed to ensure a timely response to potential legislation that will impact the public policy goals of CalABA (e.g., letter writing campaigns).
5. Regularly update CalABA members of legislative activities that may influence the practice of behavior analysis via the Public Policy List Serve.