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Speech Pathology Applied Behavior Analysis Special Interest Group

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SIG Mission

To promote the:

1. *dissemination* of behaviorally oriented speech and language research, and

2. *application* of evidence-based practices relevant to the full range of services provided by speech and language professionals.

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SPABA SIG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Speech Pathology Applied Behavior Analysis Special Interest Group of Association for Behavior Analysis International
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SPABA SIG Grant Competition Coordinator

February, 2021

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2020 - 2021 Executive and Committee positions:

Co-Chair	• Nikia Dower
Co-Chair	• Tracie Lindblad
Past Chair	• Barb Esch
Secretary	• Lina Slim
Treasurer	• Heather Forbes
Membership Coordinator	• Sari Risen
Communications Coordinator	• Deirdre Muldoon
Grant Awards Coordinator	• Trina Spencer
Community of Practice Event Coordinator	• Sophie Millon

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Interesting Facts

Currently, there are **446** identified dually certified individuals worldwide - an increase of **32** from ABAI-2020. We are now in **44 states**, **Washington, DC** and **Puerto Rico**.

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More Interesting Facts

Still hoping for dual certified individuals in **Delaware, Idaho, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota** and **Wyoming.**

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Even More Interesting Facts

We are in **12** countries outside of the USA:

Canada	Australia
Chile	Poland
Sweden	United Arab Emirates
India	Saudi Arabia
Ireland	Spain
France	United Kingdom

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Resource

Where can I quickly find an SLP-BCBA?

https://www.behavioralspeech.com/find-an-slpbcba.html

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What have we done since last ABAI?

Well, COVID19!

BUT, SLP-BCBA and SLP-BCaBA rallied and presented at *state, regional, national and international autism, behavior analysis, augmentative communication, speech/language, feeding, and special education* conferences via presentations, posters, online courses, podcasts and webinars on a variety of topics!

A few SLP-BCBA were interviewed on their local news channels as well!

69 presentations in 2020!

86 so far in 2021!

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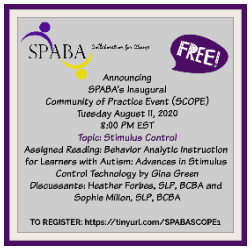
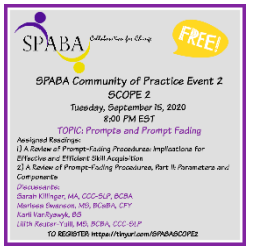
What have we done since last ABAI?

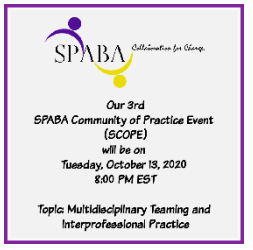
We started SPABA Community of Practice Events (SCOPE) in August 2020. These are monthly one-hour, for anyone to attend, virtual events in which we discuss literature that affects our practice as SLP-BCBAs.

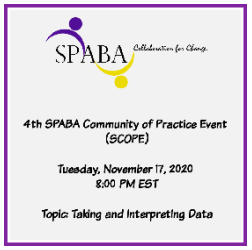
SCOPE is led by two SLP-BCBA, Sophie Millon and Heather Forbes.

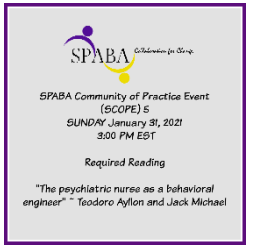
Be on the look out for SCOPE 10 announcement on our Facebook page, Facebook Group and Instagram.

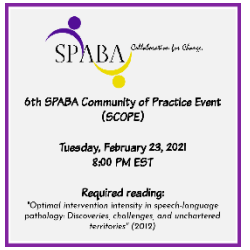


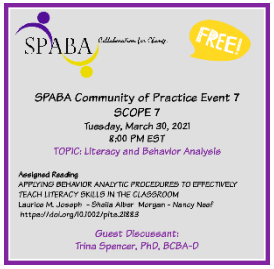


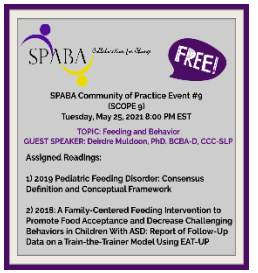












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What have we done since last ABAI?

We also began a quarterly, electronic newsletter that is sent out to paid members of the SPABA SIG. Content in the newsletter summarizes much of what we disseminate via social media during the previous quarter with additional goodies sprinkled within it!

Be on the look out for your June, 2021 SPABA Newsletter if you are a member of the SIG.

September, 2020
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Speech Pathology Applied Behavior Analysis Special Interest Group of ABAI

What is SPABA SIG of ABAI?

Started in 2006 by Dr. Barbara Esch, CCC-SLP, BCBA-D, the Speech Pathology Applied Behavior Analysis Special Interest Group (SPABA) is a special interest group of the Association for Behavior Analysis International® (ABAI), and consists of members of ABAI, members of the American Speech-Language and Hearing Association (ASHA), members of the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists (RCSLT) as well as other various behavior-analytic and speech-language pathology organizations worldwide.

What is SPABA SIG's mission?

SPABA's mission is to promote

1) ***dissemination*** of behaviorally oriented speech and language research
2) ***application*** of evidence-based practices relevant to the full range of services provided by speech and language professionals.

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Number of SLP-BCBA & SLP-BCaBA in the World

As of September, 2020 there are 419 dual certified individuals in 43 states, Washington DC, Puerto Rico & 12 countries outside the US.

What have we done since last ABAI?

For ABAI 2020, 10 SLP-BCBAs were scheduled to present but the COVID19 pandemic had other ideas:

- Cathy Booth (NH) - Poster ✓
- Daphne Hartzheim (LA) – Poster ✗
- Heather Forbes (KS) – 2 Posters ✗
- Catherine Horton (ME) – Workshop ✓
- Cory Whelan (MA) – Symposium ✗
- Carly Dragan (VA) - Poster ✗
- Teresa Cardon (AZ) – Poster ✓
- Kristin Bayley (Australia) – Panel Discussion ✗
- Angela McDonald (Canada) – Poster ✓
- Deirdre Muldoon (NY) - Symposium ✗

What have we done since last ABAI?

At the 2020 National Autism Conference at Penn State,

4 SLP-BCBAs presented virtually:

- Heather Forbes (KS)
- Tamara Kasper (WI)
- Jaime Baker (PA)
- Amy Foor (PA)

What have we done since last ABAI?

At NJSHA Interprofessional Autism Conference (IPAC) 2021, 4 SLP-BCBAs presented:

- Lina Slim (NJ)
- Teresa Cardon (AZ)
- Braxton Baker (MO)
- Deirdre Muldoon (NY)

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What have we done since last ABAI?

SLP-BCBA & SLP-BCaBA are represented well in podcasts!

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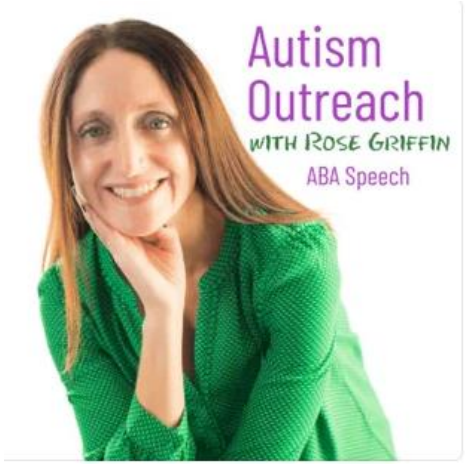
What have we done since last ABAI?

SLP-BCBA started their own podcasts!

Kate Grandbois, SLP, BCBA



Rose Griffin, SLP, BCBA

Liz Willis, SLP, BCBA

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What have we done since last ABAI?

We gained 10 new SLP-BCBA in 2020.

So far, in 2021, we have gained 4 new SLP-BCBA and 2 new SLP-BCaBA!

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What have we done since last ABAI?

Carol Lanch Zombotti (WV) is now an Assistant Professor and Clinical Director of Education in Speech Pathology at West Liberty University in West Virginia.

Jennifer Wilson Houston (IN) is a Visiting Clinical Assistant Professor in the CSD Department at Purdue University- Fort Wayne.

Raquel Narain (CA) is the California Speech Language Hearing Association Board Chair.

Lilith Reuter-Yuill (MI) accepted a position as a new faculty member in the Communication Disorders and Sciences Department at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

Arlene Dworkin Kaye (CT) and **Lindajeanne Schwartz** (CT) are on the Connecticut Association for Behavior Analysis Board of Directors.

What have we done since last ABAI?

Tracie Lindblad (Canada) published Ethical Considerations in Clinical Supervision: Components of Effective Clinical Supervision Across an Interprofessional Team.

David Rehfeld (TX) and colleagues published Using behavioral skills training with preservice teachers in the university classroom & Service Delivery Schedule Effects on Speech Sound Production Outcomes.

Kathleen Dyer (CT) and colleague published Providing implementation supports to intensify instruction in an autism classroom.

Christina Martin (TX) and colleagues published Evaluating Augmentative and Alternative Communication Modalities for Individuals With Developmental Disabilities: a Brief Review of the Last 5 Years.

Deirdre Muldoon (NY) published A Literature Review: Evidence Base in Speech-Language Pathology for the Management of Pediatric Oral Phase.

What have we done since last ABAI?

Drs. **Lina Slim** (NJ) and **Teresa Cardon** (AZ) along with Trina Spencer, BCBA-D and Lindee Morgan, PhD, CCC-SLP led a workgroup for the ABAI Practice Board and created a resource document entitled Interprofessional Collaborative Practice Between Behavior Analysts and Speech-Language Pathologists.

Lina Slim (NJ) has co-authored two chapters in A Scientific Framework for Compassion and Social Justice: Lessons in Applied Behavior Analysis. The chapters are: Chapter 13 Culturally Aware Practice: Cultural Considerations for Delivering Effective Treatment and Chapter 19 Global Impact: Standing for Science Takes a Village - An International One.

Nicole Boivin (ME) and colleagues published Interdisciplinary Collaboration Training: An Example of a Preservice Training Series.

What have we done since last ABAI?

Landria Seals Green (MI) and Vanessa Bethea-Miller, BCBA assisted the ABAI Program Board, the DEI Board, and other relevant constituencies by developing a rubric to assist the organization toward a future of greater inclusivity and diversity at ABAI events.

Rebekah Lee (SC) received one of the Sidney W. & Janet R. Bijou Grants from ABAI for her project "Establishing Generalized Equivalence Class Performance Utilizing Tact Training and Training Intraverbal Bidirectional Naming: a Multiple Study Replication and Extension With Participants of Various Age Ranges and Varied Levels of Verbal Skills."

Christina Martin (TX) was appointed to the Texas Association for Behavior Analysis Public Policy Group Advisory Committee.

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Where are some of our members headed?

Dag Strömberg (Sweden) was accepted to the PhD program for in Special Education at Stockholm University.

Tara Cortopassi (FL) was accepted into the EdS program in Curriculum and Instruction at the University of West Florida.

Landria Seals Green (MI) was accepted in the Ph.D. program in Special Education at The University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign Fall 2021.

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Where are some of our members headed?

Sarah Fitta (MA) earned her SLPD from Northwestern University Speech-Language Pathology.

Kerry Egan (UAE) earned her SLPD from Northwestern University Speech-Language Pathology.

Carly Dragan (VA) earned her SLPD from Northwestern University Speech-Language Pathology.

Melanie Giles (MA) received her PhD in Applied Behavior Analysis from Endicott College.

Sheri Lake (PA) received her EdD in Special Education at Slippery Rock University.

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REMINDER from the BACB

Starting in 2022, a Master's degree in Speech-Language Pathology will again meet the BACB standards to sit for the BCBA exam as long as an additional 315 hours of graduate coursework in behavior analysis AND practical experience that meets the 2022 supervised fieldwork requirements are completed successfully.

SPABA particularly likes this excerpt from the newsletter:

*"... the **increased behavior-analytic coursework and fieldwork requirements** would likely lessen the importance of the differences in educational histories of applicants with graduate degrees in fields outside of education, psychology, and behavior analysis. This consideration, along with the secondary benefits of having **more certificants with diverse training backgrounds and connections to other professional communities**, led the committee to determine that more flexibility in the field-of-study requirement would be valuable at this time."*

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Treasurer's Report

Heather Forbes

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Assets (05-21-21)

Cash on hand (Checking)	1672.54
Other (PayPal)	3900.33
Total assets	***5572.87***

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PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT
05-21-20 through 05-21-21

Income		
Full membership	(106)	1590.00
Student membership	(9)	45.00
Donations	(45)	2475.00
Total income		***4110.00***
Expenses		
PayPal fees		144.90
2020 grants	(0)	0
Total expenses		***144.90***
Net profit/(loss) to date		***3965.10***

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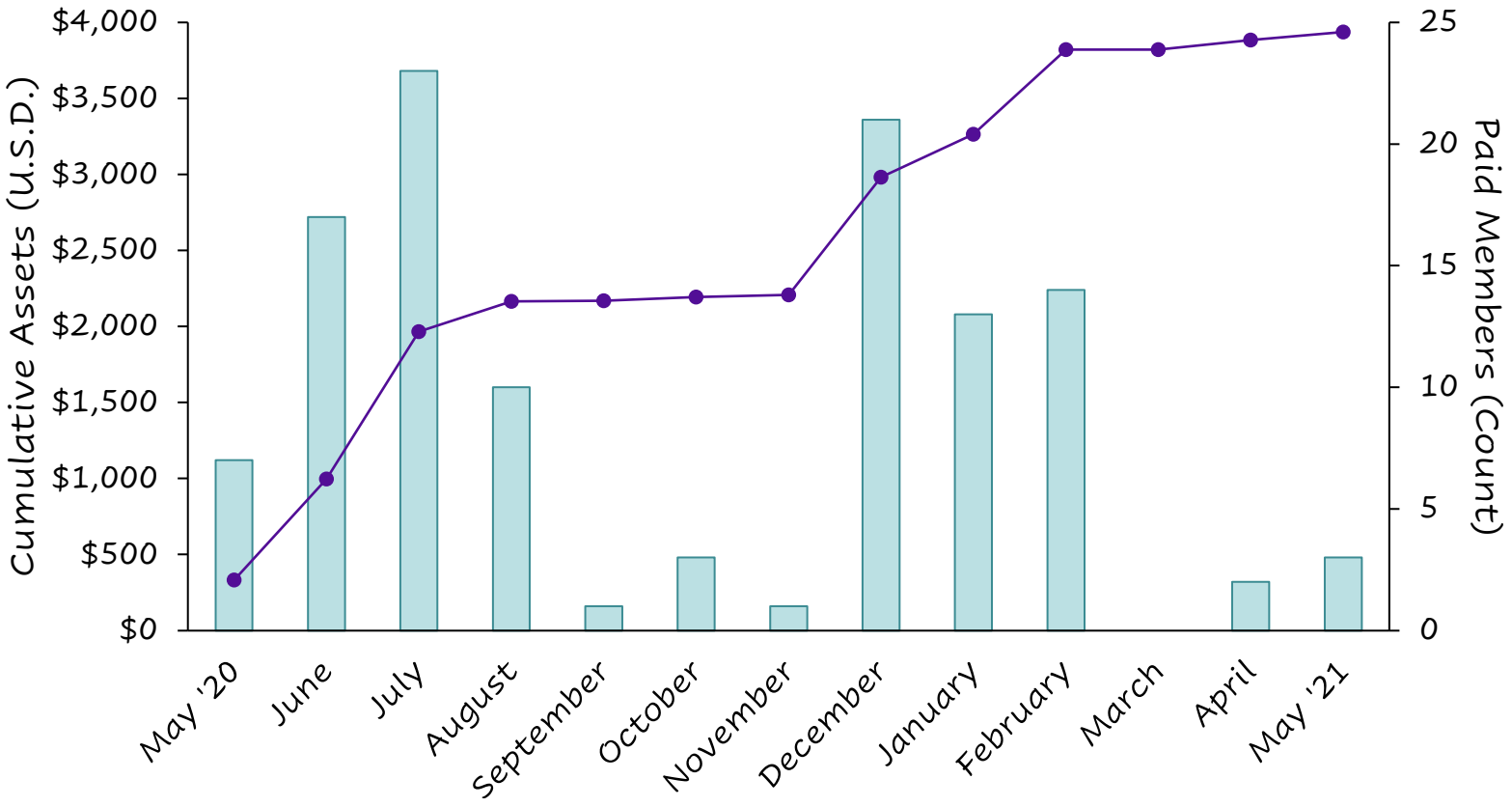
Trends

05-21-20 through 05-21-21



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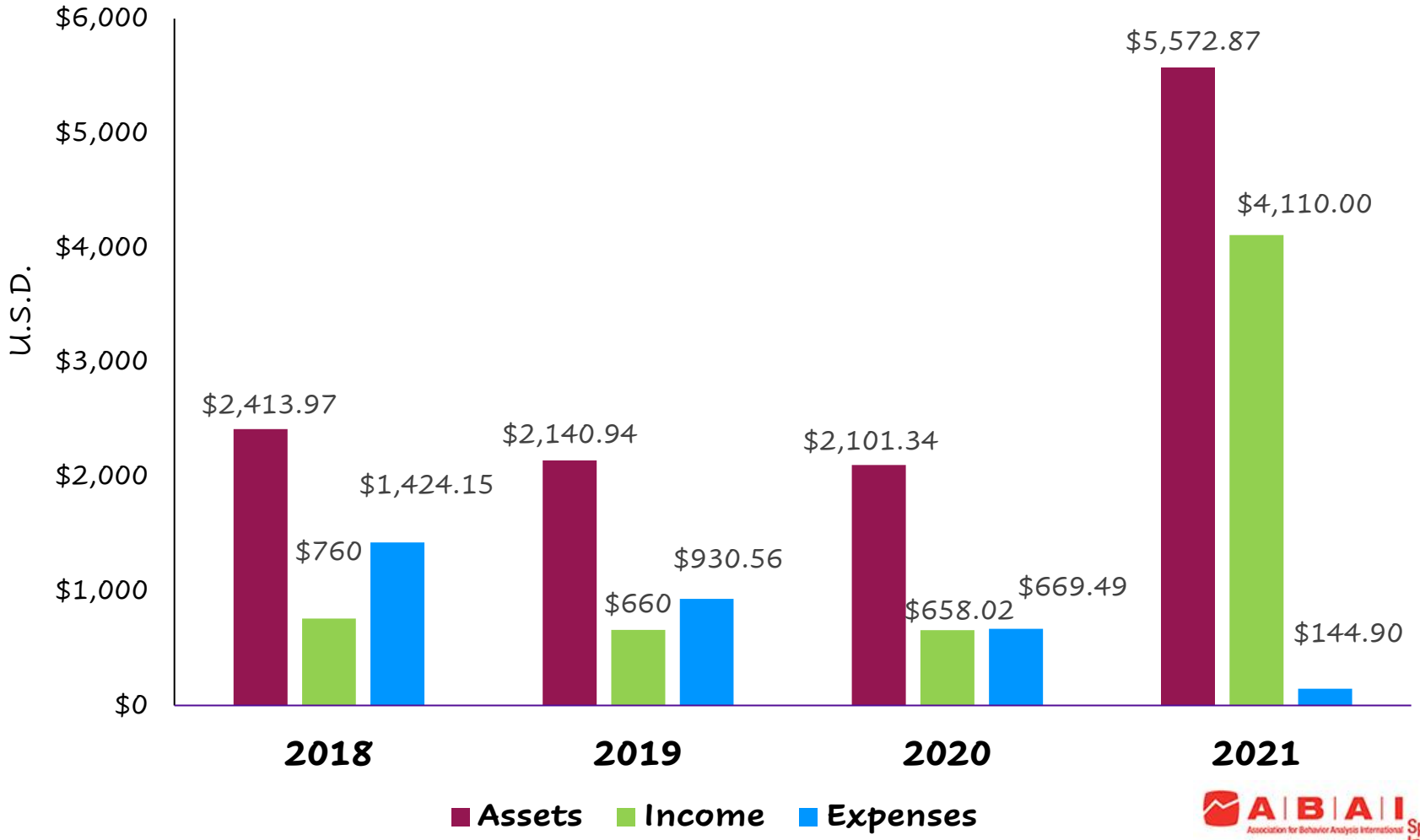
Trends

05-21-18 through 05-21-21



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Looking Ahead to 2022!

Your generous donations helped us to award

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Research, Dissemination, and Application Grants in 2021!

These grants will be reflected on the 2021-2022 Treasurer's Report.

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Membership Report

Submitted by Nikia Dower

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Membership Trends

	2019-2020	2020-2021
Full Members	20	**118**
Student Members	1	**4**
Facebook Group Members	7233	**8559**
Total	7254	**8681**

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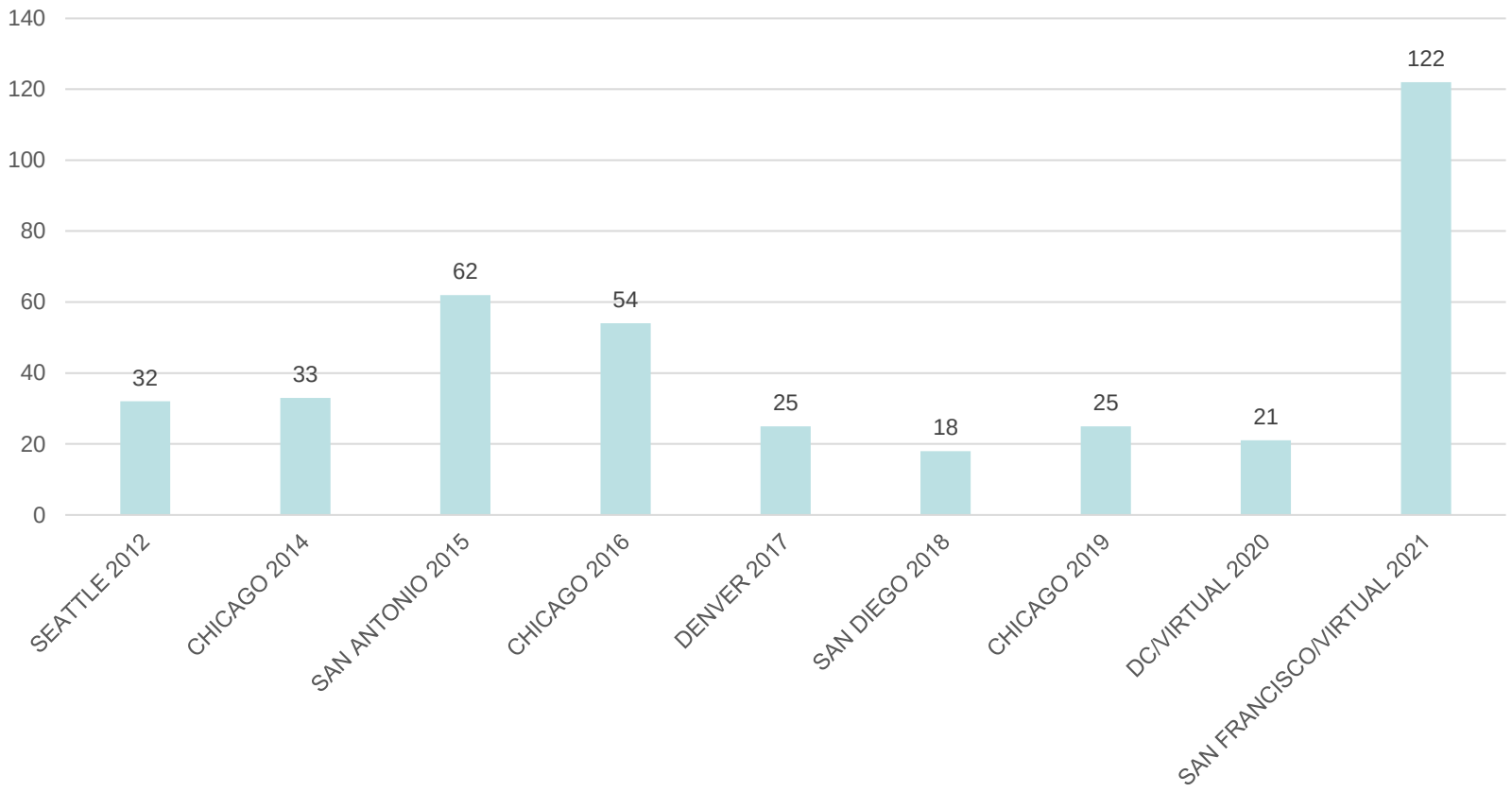
SPABA SIG Membership Trends



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Social Media

Submitted by Nikia Dower

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SPABA Facebook Group

- Our first social media presence started in **2013** – primary use is for dissemination, file sharing and professional discussions relevant to SPABA's mission.
- https://www.facebook.com/groups/SPABA.SIG/

ABAI 2018: 4720 members
ABAI 2019: 5864 members
ABAI 2020: 7233 members
ABAI 2021: 8,559 members

Members are SLPs, SLP-BCBAs, SLP-BCaBAs, BCBAs, BCaBA, RBTs, behavior analysts, special education teachers, occupational therapists, etc.

SPABA Facebook Page

In **2016**, we started this social media presence – primary use is for dissemination of information consistent with SPABA's mission. **Currently, we have 2634 'likes."**

https://www.facebook.com/SPABASIGofABAI/

SPABA on Twitter

In May, **2016**, we started this social media presence – primary use is for dissemination and retweets of information consistent with SPABA's mission.

Currently, we have 784 followers!

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SPABA on Instagram

Started this social media presence in **2017** – primary use is for photographic dissemination of information consistent with SPABA's mission. **We currently have 1254 followers!**

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SPABA on Pinterest

Began this social media presence in **2017** and is still a work in progress - primary intended use is for a database of resources/information consistent with SPABA's mission and for ease of dissemination of this information when requested. **Currently, 2000 monthly views and 53 followers.**

www.pinterest.com/SPABASIGofABAI/

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behavioralspeech.com · @SPABASIGofABAI · Official Pinterest Account for Speech Pathology and Applied Behavior Analysis - Special Interest Group of ABAI (Still adding content - stay tuned!)

53 followers · 8 following

2.0k monthly views

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2020 Research and Dissemination Awards

Submitted by Trina Spencer

Presented by Lina Slim

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SPABA would like to thank

Trina Spencer, PhD, BCBA-D for her assistance as the 2021 SPABA Grant Coordinator.

We would also like to thank

Teresa Cardon, PhD, SLP, BCBA-D and

Emily Schmitt, SLP, BCBA

for their time in judging the applications for the grants submitted.

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In 2020, SPABA decided to officially name the annual grants after speech/language pathologists and behavior analysts who exemplify the following:

RESEARCH – APPLICATION – DISSEMINATION

Giri Hegde Research Grant

Barbara Esch Application Grant

Nikia Dower Dissemination Grant

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In 2021, due to the financial generosity of our members, we are delighted to announce that we were able to fund 6 projects!

Giri Hegde Research Grant (3)

Barbara Esch Application Grant (1)

Nikia Dower Dissemination Grant (2)

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2021 SPABA AWARD WINNERS

GIRI HEGDE RESEARCH AWARD

Nikki Murphy, SLP *Embedding the System of Least Prompts in a Dialogic Reading intervention: Using Behavioral Skills Training to Improve the Early Clinical Skills of Novice Graduate Speech-Language Pathologists*

Maya Fallon, BCBA *"Teaching Children to Report Past Events"*

Vadesha Marya, BCBA *Emergence of Untrained Language in Children with Autism who use Speech Generating Devices*

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Giri Hegde Research Grant Winner
Nicole Murphy, CCC-SLP

"Embedding the System of Least Prompts in a Dialogic Reading intervention: Using Behavioral Skills Training to Improve the Early Clinical Skills of Novice Graduate Speech-Language Pathologists"

University of Nevada, Reno
Advisor: Dr. MaryAnn Demchack

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This is a brief summary of my proposal

"I'm planning to share these results next year at the conference; the proposal was approved by our IRB in April (just after the submission date), and I am planning small pilots for fall and then the full study will start in spring. Graduate student training is the overarching theme of my doctoral work in Special Education & Disability Studies. I especially see Behavioral Skills Training as a tool which could improve the early clinical experience of novice SLP clinicians.

This study will make up a portion of my dissertation (alternate 3-study format). I hope to eventually find a way to do some interprofessional education with graduate SLP students and graduate BCBA students. I think increased collaboration and understanding during training programs would benefit both professions.

My deepest thanks to the leadership of the SIG and the award committee for the endorsement of this project. I'm beyond grateful and proud to have been selected."

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2021 SPABA SIG
Giri Hegde Research Grant
Winner

Maya Fallon, BCBA

"Teaching Children to Report Past Events"

UNMC's Munroe-Meyer Institute
Advisor: Dr. Kevin C. Luczynski

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2021 SPABA SIG
Giri Hegde Research Grant Winner
Vadesha Marya, BCBA
"Emergence of Untrained Language in Children with Autism who use Speech Generating Devices"

Endicott College
Advisor: Dr. Alice Shillingsburg

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2021 SPABA AWARD WINNERS

BARBARA ESCH APPLICATION AWARD

Shawna Fleming, BCBA and **Brittany Clark, SLP**

Intensive Aphasia Program: Collaboration Leads to Optimal Outcomes

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Barbara Esch Application Grant Winner

Shawna Fleming, BCBA & Brittany Clark, SLP

"Intensive Aphasia Program: Collaboration Leads to Optimal Outcomes"

Monarch House, Ontario

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2021 SPABA AWARD WINNERS

NIKIA DOWER DISSEMINATION AWARD

Kristin Albert, BCBA *Talking Transcription to Improve Communication and Collaboration among Behavior Analysts and Speech-Language Pathologists*

Carole McGuinness, BCBA *The Use of Social Media to Disseminate Verbal Behavior Principles to Speech and Language Therapists in Ireland*

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2021 SPABA SIG
Nikia Dower Dissemination Grant Winner
Kristin Albert, BCBA

"Taking Transcription to Improve Communication and Collaboration among Behavior Analysts and Speech-Language Pathologists"

Florida Institute of Technology

Advisor: Dr. Kimberly Sloman

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Carole McGuinness, BCBA
"The Use of Social Media to Disseminate Verbal Behavior Principles to Speech and Language Therapists in Ireland"

Child's Play ABA

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Final Discussion
Submitted by Tracie Lindblad

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In case you missed it

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Find the archives of JSLPABA here:

[Journal of Speech and Language Pathology Applied Behavior Analysis]

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Discussion

- **Membership Fees / Dues vs Donations:** membership runs ABAI to ABAI so we are in a new membership cycle!

- **Website Help Needed**: Mahabalagiri (Giri) Hegde, Ph.D., CCC-SLP has graciously granted us permission to house his behaviorally-oriented literature → **SO … *website guru STILL wanted***!

- Dissemination, Application and Research Grant award amounts – ***tied directly to donations acquired by April of each year.***

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Special Interest Group

Discussion

SIG Leadership Training updates from 2021:

- ABAI will offer support to promote SIG initiatives including research publications, white papers, and webinars offered
- ABAI will share a list of all SIG officers.
- ABAI will request SIGs to present interdisciplinary thematic submissions

1st SPABA retreat in Oct-2021/2022 – ***interest? In Cabo San Lucas!***

2020-2021 Activities

2020 AGM PLAN	PROGRESS
Increase in Membership on the Executive and Committees	
Social Media Presence	
Expansion of Website	
Development of Bylaws and Policies	
Financial Sustainability	

Discussion

SPABA SIG OF ABAI 2021 Initiatives

- Continue to focus on Research, Application and Dissemination awards and donations to support larger and more awards
- Continue professional dissemination and discussion on the Facebook Group
- Continue promoting professional growth and collaboration among our members
- *Publications that merge rather than divide the SLP and ABA worlds*
- Offer BACB CEs for SCOPE.
- Begin to offer webinars.

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Announcement

- Watch for the SIG update in the ABAI 2021 Summer or Fall newsletter

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Thanks for joining us today!
We can't wait to see everyone in real life in BOSTON
next year!

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