BACB Fact Sheet

About the BACB

- Established in 1998 as a nonprofit corporation
- The first national organization to certify practitioners of applied behavior analysis (ABA)
- Governed by a Board of Directors primarily comprised of behavior analysts elected by the profession along with representation from the public
- More than 92,000 behavior analysts and more than 259,000 behavior technicians currently certified
- BACB standards are the basis of almost all behavior analyst licensure laws in the United States

BACB Certification Programs

- **High School Level**
  Registered Behavior Technician®
  (RBT®)
- **Bachelor's Level**
  Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst®
  (BCaBA®)
- **Master's Level**
  Board Certified Behavior Analyst®
  (BCBA®)

Certification Requirements

- The BACB's behavior analyst certifications (BCaBA/BCBA) require an academic degree, behavior-analytic coursework, supervised experience, passage of a psychometrically sound examination, compliance with ethics requirements, continuing education, and ongoing supervision (BCaBA).
- The BACB's behavior technician certification (RBT) requires a high school diploma, formal training in ABA, a skill-based competency assessment, a background check, passage of a psychometrically sound examination, compliance with ethics requirements, and annual competency assessments.

Applied Behavior Analysis

Applied Behavior Analysis is a science based on the use of learning principles to improve lives. The practice of ABA focuses on assessing the environmental influences on behavior, assessment-based intervention, and data-based decision making. ABA has been used to address the behavioral needs of consumers in multiple areas, including general and special education, organizational management and safety, gerontology, and many more. ABA is best known as being the leading evidence-based treatment approach for autism and other developmental disabilities.

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The BCBA, BCaBA, and RBT certification programs are accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies in Washington, DC. NCCA is the accreditation body of the Institute for Credentialing Excellence.

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