

Association of Virginia Positive Behavior Support Facilitators

The Practice

Behavior is a language people use when calm, spoken communication is difficult – often due to challenges related to disability

The Person Supported is an integral member of the treatment team

Best Self is reached through thoughtful, intentional support plans using comprehensive data collection & person-centered analysis

Success or failure as a community member is *not* measured by the frequency, intensity or duration of behavior

Critical changes are made to the environment that significantly affect use of behavior and its outcomes

Escalated behavior is replaced with positive behavior as efficient and effective communication, understood and responded to safely in social and community settings

Support techniques maintain the close bond between the person supported and their caregivers & allies

Resources Links:

<https://apbs.org/>

<https://hcpbs.org>

<https://partnership.vcu.edu/>

<https://www.thearcofva.org/>

<https://autisticadvocacy.org/>

Safety

Health



The Association

Provides PBS practitioners with a voice to ensure open access to authentic, evidence-based PBS services and cohesive & consistent standards of practice across Virginia through:

- ◆ discussions with state legislators, DBHDS & DMAS, and ad hoc committees & work groups
- ◆ access to industry research, up-to-date literature and relevant product development
- ◆ serving as a venue for developing, collecting and discussing PBS best practices

Provides PBS practitioners, service-users and their caregivers & allies a venue to engage in progressive discussion through:

- ◆ Collaborations at conferences, industry meetings, social media and this webpage
- ◆ outreach to new PBS consultants to encourage and support their practice of PBS

Membership is open to all PBSF's, LBA/BCBA's, LCSW's & LPC's in Virginia, Service Users and their Allies.

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Subcommittee Updates & Testimonials Links:

Licensing/Lobbying & Testimonials: See Conference ppt on AVPBSF opening page

Access to Services: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QK2GXB7>

Independence

Choice

Working through strong, sustained partnership & collaboration between the person supported and their caregivers & allies using the strengths, abilities and talents of each