

**KANSAS BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES REGULATORY BOARD
BEHAVIOR ANALYST ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 12, 2025
Approved Minutes**

I. Call to Order. Linda Heitzman-Powell, Chair of the Advisory Committee, called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.

Committee Members. Linda Heitzman-Powell, Denise Cyzman, Allyson Bell, Alec Bernstein, Holly Creamer, Kelley Harrison, Emily Kessler, Pamela Neidert, Pik Wah Lam-Chesnut, Nikki Willey and Alice Zhang were present by Zoom. Wes Dotson was absent.

BSRB Staff. David Fye, Executive Director for the BSRB, and Leslie Allen, Assistant Director and Licensing Manager for the BSRB, attended the meeting by Zoom.

II. Agenda Approval. Nikki Willey moved to approve the agenda. Alec Bernstein seconded. The motion passed.

III. Approval of Minutes from the Advisory Committee Meeting on Friday, October 10, 2025. Alec Bernstein moved to approve the minutes. Pik Wah Lam-Chesnut seconded. The motion passed.

IV. Executive Director's Report. David Fye, Executive Director for the BSRB, reported on agency operations, legislative updates, and recent Board meetings.

V. Old Business

A. Continued Review and Discussion on Draft Survey of Licensees. The Executive Director asked Advisory Committee members to review and discuss survey responses to three questions.

- i. **Additional Ways the BSRB Could Protect and Serve Consumers of Services Offered by BSRB Licensees (page 22 and 52-54).** Advisory Committee members discussed the survey responses to this question from LaBAs and LBAs. Members noted feedback including potential check-ins at practices to ensure that practitioners are in compliance with regulations and the BSRB giving more severe consequences for ethical violations, expanding licensure, adding a behavior analyst to the BSRB Board, aligning BSRB and BACB renewal cycles and continuing education requirements, informing people on how and where to file a complaint, restricting behavior analyst services to those provided by licensed individuals, and offering continuing education.
- ii. **Additional Comments and Feedback (page 23 and 55-56).** Advisory Committee members discussed notable survey responses, including comments and feedback that adults with developmental disabilities do not get insurance coverage for services; insurance reimbursements need to be increased; and a desire for the BSRB to align with BACB renewal cycles

and continuing education requirements. Members discussed that the BSRB does not have jurisdiction over insurance reimbursements, so communicating that to licensees may be beneficial. The Executive Director informed Advisory Committee members that there are plans for the BSRB to develop a newsletter to be sent out to licensees. Between now and February, the Executive Director asked that Advisory Committee members think about how survey information can be used in the future and other potential work the Advisory Committee can do as a result of the information produced from the survey.

- iii. **Use of Artificial Intelligence in Practice (page 21 and 50-51).** Advisory Committee members discussed that many licensees reported they do not use AI in their practice, some members highlighted responses that licensees may be open to learning more, while others reported needing more guidance and having privacy and security concerns. Members discussed that for those who reported using AI, areas of use included assistance with emails, scheduling, brainstorming, note-taking, social media purposes, policy guidance, and documentation. Advisory Committee members expressed wanting to look into other Boards and how they are regulating and/or providing guidance on AI.

B. Presentation by Dr. Summer B. Gainey on Practice Parameters for Artificial Intelligence Use in Applied Behavior Analysis by the Council of Autism Service Providers (CASP). Dr. Gainey presented information to the Advisory Committee on practice parameters for artificial intelligence use in applied behavior analysis. It was noted that 37 states currently require licensure for behavior analysis. One item discussed was the fact that individuals may be using AI without realizing that they are using it. Dr. Gainey reported that the use of AI in notetaking is forbidden within her organization, as it could be a HIPPA violation. It was expressed that individuals operating clinically should consider developing an AI policy. Another topic discussed was the use of location sharing and how it could potentially be a violation. Dr. Gainey expressed the importance of human verification of anything generated by AI.

C. Continued Discussion on Regulation of Artificial Intelligence. The Executive Director provided a summary document with information on three recently enacted laws in other states pertaining to AI in Illinois, Nevada, and Utah. The Executive Director asked that Advisory Committee members review these materials to be discussed at the February 2026 Advisory Committee meeting.

D. Continued Review of Regulations.

- i. **K.A.R. 102-8-6.** Due to time constraints, this item was tabled to the next Advisory Committee meeting.

E. Discussion on Alternative Pathways to Licensure. Due to time constraints, this item was tabled until the next Advisory Committee meeting.

VI. New Business

A. Discussion on Title Protection for Licensed Behavior Analysts. Due to time constraints, this item was tabled until the next Advisory Committee meeting.

B. Discussion on Topics for 2026. Potential discussion topics for 2026 that were mentioned included AI, supervision, a BSRB newsletter, and CEU opportunities.

C. Discussion on Date and Time for Meetings in 2026. In 2026, the Advisory Committee will continue to meet on the second Friday of every other month from 1pm to 3pm.

VII. Next Meeting. The next Advisory Committee meeting will be on Friday, February 13, 2026, at 1pm over Zoom.

VIII. Adjournment. Allyson Bell moved to adjourn the meeting. Nikki Willey seconded. The meeting was adjourned.