

# New York State Association for Behavior Analysis

## Legislative Committee

# ACTION ALERT !!

Do you have a family member or know someone who struggles with or is diagnosed with any of the following?

- Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- Learning Disabilities or Difficulties
- Down Syndrome
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Substance Abuse
- Food Refusal/ Selectivity
- Disrupted Sleep
- Behavioral Challenges
- Cognitive Issues Associated with Aging

## If you answered “Yes” to any of these, this person may benefit from the expertise of a Licensed Behavior Analyst!

- The professional practice of Applied Behavior Analysis, long-standing for over 50 years, has made countless improvements in the lives of individuals.
- New York State Licensure laws ***prohibits the evidenced based practice*** of Applied Behavior Analysis to be delivered to anyone who is not diagnosed with autism spectrum or related disorders even when indicated as the best intervention and ordered by a physician or psychologist.
- New York State is the ***ONLY*** state in the country that ***restricts*** delivery of Applied Behavior Analysis services outside of exempt settings to anyone who does not have an autism diagnosis.
- The scope of practice restriction ***severely limits family choice in access to effective treatment*** for individuals who do not have a diagnosis of autism.

## **\*\*We need YOUR help in removing this restriction to allow anyone in NYS, regardless of diagnosis, to gain access to Applied Behavior Analytic services! \*\***

Family members of people who are being denied quality behavioral services from Licensed Behavior Analysts and other constituents in New York can speak up about this ***discriminatory law*** by asking your legislators to support bills related to the practice of Applied Behavior Analysis in NYS.

Please show your support in helping us remove this restriction by signing up to receive action alerts by texting @nysaba to 81010 or emailing nysabalegislative@gmail.com for additional information.