

Michigan Behavior Analysis Providers (MiBAP) Board Nomination Form

Nominating Organization: WMU Kalamazoo Autism Center

Individual Nominated: J. Adam Bennett, PhD, BCBA-D, LBA

Title / Company: Director of Operations / WMU Kalamazoo Autism Center

Summary of Qualification:

(Please provide a short summary of the individual's background and qualifications for the role)

Adam has served as Associate Director of Western Michigan University's Autism Center of Excellence and Director of Operations at the Kalamazoo Autism Center since September of 2015, facilitating the expansion of autism services at the University. To date, the Autism Center of Excellence team has been responsible for the creation and expansion of several critical services on WMU's campus, including a diagnostic center, supports for college students with autism, an on-line video resource of expert interviews for families and practitioners, supports for young adults interested in gaining paid employment, and an ABA treatment clinic for individuals diagnosed with autism. Currently, Adam serves as Director of Operations at Western Michigan University's Kalamazoo Autism Center. His close work with insurers and Community Mental Health Providers makes him a valuable resource to the KAC and MiBAP, where he has served both as Chair of the Access Committee and as a member of the Board of Directors. He has worked in almost every aspect of running a clinic, from community collaborations, clinical work, grants and contracts, lobbying, financials, HIPAA and organizational compliance, technology, staff recruitment, hiring and training, and access. He is an active member of CASP and attends the Autism Law Summit annually. He also serves as chair for an established ABAI SIG. In 2020, he won the WMU Staff Excellence award for his work facilitating expansion of autism services at WMU and opening the Kalamazoo Autism Center. His clinical interests include assessment and treatment of severe problem behavior, and he is passionate about increasing access to quality services, assisting families through the complexities and stressors of the diagnostic process, and ensuring the Kalamazoo Autism Center establishes and maintains good collaborative relationships with area schools and other professionals. Adam would be a valuable member to the MiBAP Board of Directors.

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