

**THE QUEBEC ASSOCIATION FOR
BEHAVIOUR ANALYSIS**
INVITES YOU TO ATTEND OUR 9TH ANNUAL
CONFERENCE AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

March 15th, 2019, 9h-18h

SCHEDULE:

8:00 to 9:00 : Registration

9:00 to 10:30 : Merrill Winston – Punishment is not always a negative procedure

10:30 to 10:45 : Break

10:45 to 12:00 : Ethics panel – The use of punishment procedures in ABA programs

12:00 to 13:30 : Lunch (not provided)

13:30 to 14:45 : Ignite Event

14:45 to 15:00 : Break

15:00 to 16:30 : Merrill Winston – Dealing with non-compliance

16:30 to 17:00 : Raffle!

17:00 to 18:00 : Annual General Assembly

3200 Jean-Brillant, Montréal, Qc, H3T 1N8

Auditorium to be announced, please check here for updates:

<http://qcaba.org/conference>

Simultaneous translation offered (no extra charge)

KEYNOTE SPEAKER : *MERRILL WINSTON, PH.D., BCBA-D*



Dr. Winston is a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (doctoral level) who has worked in the field of Developmental Disabilities for over 20 years.

He has worked in small group homes, large residential facilities, secured facilities, family homes and schools, and therefore with a broad population who exhibited behavior problems that ranged from mild to life-threatening. He has given numerous presentations at various professional conferences throughout the country and internationally on the topics of crisis prevention and intervention, psychotropic medication usage with special populations, and the development and implementation of training programs designed to increase the skill levels of parents, professionals, teachers, and direct-care staff. Dr. Winston currently serves as the Director of Program Development, at the Professional Crisis Management Association (PCMA, Inc.).

DEALING WITH NON-COMPLIANCE

MERRILL WINSTON

The concept of non-compliance is deeply rooted in human services whether it's in the field of medicine (patient compliance), human resource management (employee compliance), or education (student compliance). Quite often, based on frequency of the problem, individuals will be labeled as "non-compliant" as though it is a personality trait. This presentation will examine how the concept is applied in clinical practice and why it is not a particularly useful and even damaging concept. Suggestions will also be made for more useful ways to conceptualize "non-compliance" and to focus on the attainment specific desired goals and not "compliance" as a class of behaviors.

PUNISHMENT IS NOT ALWAYS A NEGATIVE PROCEDURE

MERRILL WINSTON

Punishment is a very controversial topic in applied behavior analysis today. Because reinforcement, antecedent manipulations, and certain skill acquisition procedures are often described as "positive," procedures the implication is that punishment procedures must be a bad or "negative."

There is some unstated belief that these positive procedures have no unintended “side-effects” but even positive reinforcement procedures can produce aggression and self-injury as an unintended outcome. This presentation will provide a detailed look at what punishment is and isn’t and how it functions in the natural environment and why it is necessary and beneficial. The message is not a “pro-punishment” message, instead it is a “pro-let’s be clear on our terms” message.

DISCUSSION PANEL

WHERE THEORY MEETS PRACTICE... THE USE OF PUNISHMENT PROCEDURES IN ABA PROGRAMS

Punishment is a topic that is commonly associated with behavioural interventions, although it is also routinely under-researched. This leaves practitioners with a set of guidelines to follow about its use while also leaving them in the dark about how this looks in reality. In this discussion panelists consider the public perception of **ABA** and the use of punishment, as well as explore questions about its use in practice. Panelists include school professionals, behaviour analysts, and users of behavioural services.

To email an anonymous question for our panelists to answer, please use the following link: www.form.jotform.com/qcaba/discussion-panel-2019



In an ambitious move, and inspired by our sister-chapter ONTABA, QcABA will hold its first Ignite event during the 2019 annual conference. Ignite is a series of short presentations during which each presenter gives a snapshot of their chosen topic. Each presentation is 5 minutes long, during which 20 slides are shown, each one for 15 seconds. All of the presenters are local and will allow attendees to see what their fellow colleagues are working on or interest in. This Ignite event will spotlight different topics in ABA, such as Organizational Behaviour Management, the concept of private events, and present short case studies. If you are interested in presenting at our Ignite event, please email us at : info@qcaba.org with the subject heading '**Ignite**'.

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Payment will be accepted via PayPal, or cheque through mail.

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The Quebec Association for Behaviour Analysis

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