

Gaining Experience In An ABA Home-Based Program

Program Applicant:

In order to receive your Applied Behaviour Analysis Support Worker certificate from Surrey College and qualify for employment as an ABA Support Worker with the Surrey School District, you must have completed 1000 hours of home based ABA one to one instruction under a qualified consultant – see '<u>Qualified Evaluator - Consultant Registration'</u> form.

There are many families running home-based ABA programs in the Lower Mainland. In order to accumulate the 1000 hours, you will need to obtain employment with a family running a comprehensive ABA home-based program. You will look for work as a Behaviour Interventionist (BI) on a team overseen by a Behaviour Consultant to gain hours. Families will hire you and you will receive experience and gain hours as you learn about Autism.

Check with the family before beginning employment to ensure that the consultant they work with meets the criterion on the 'Qualified Evaluator – Consultant Registration' Form.

Some places to look for BI work are:

<u>Craigslist</u> - www.craigslist.ca *type in BI or Behaviour Interventionist in the Search field

Families for Early Autism Treatment of BC – Chat Board - www.featbc.org *View posts under the 'Classified' section or make a post on the board. You will need to register to make a posting".

<u>Autism Society of BC</u> - www.autismsupportbc.ca - 604-434-0880 *Call the office and request to be connected with a family looking for instructors for their ABA Home-based program.

<u>Arcus Community Resources</u> - <u>www.arcuscommunityresources.com</u> Mostly working in group homes

<u>ABA Therapists BC</u> - Facebook– (closed group so you will need to be accepted into the group to see any posts)

You can also leave your name and email address with Surrey College who in turn will email you any BI job opportunities they receive from families.