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Certified BodyTalk Practitioner (CBP) Agreement

1. Upon completion of Modules 1 and 2 and with IBA Standard Membership, a CBP candidate must either re-monitor Modules 1 and 2, preferably with a different Instructor, or take a Module 1 & 2 Advanced Practical before electing to sit for the two-part certification examination with a Certified BodyTalk Instructor (CBI) or Instructor Trainee, who has been cleared to supervise the exam. Exceptions to this re-monitoring rule may be made in certain remote countries or locations. The examination consists of a written test covering the material presented in Modules 1 and 2 as well as a practical examination, wherein the student demonstrates proficiency in the BodyTalk System protocol and its techniques. The passing grade for each part of the examination is ninety percent (90%).
2. The other requirement for becoming a CBP is that the student must certify to the examining Instructor that they have completed at least 50 BodyTalk sessions without the use of BodyTalk reference materials.
3. The cost for the examination is US \$175.00 paid to the examining CBI and an additional US \$20.00 processing fee paid to the IBA upon passing. The US \$175.00 fee is due and payable regardless of pass or fail grade on the certification examination. In the event of a subsequent examination, an additional examination fee is due and payable at the time of examination to the examiner. (The examination fee may vary outside of the U.S)
4. The successful student will then be certified by the IBA as a Certified BodyTalk Practitioner (CBP). Certification will last two (2) years and a certificate will be sent to the CBP. A copy of this Agreement signed by all parties will be returned upon request. Please note that the criteria of CBP certification are delineated in No. 7 below.
5. The CBP, as well as all members of the IBA, must conduct themselves in accordance with the IBA Code of Ethics, published below in its entirety.

IBA Code of Ethics

As a member of the International BodyTalk System Association, I hereby pledge to abide by the IBA Code of Ethics as outlined below.

Client Relationships

I shall endeavor to serve the best interests of my clients at all times and to provide the highest quality service possible.

I shall maintain clear and honest communications with my clients and shall keep client communications confidential.

I shall provide clients the opportunity to give their written consent to BodyTalk session(s) and inform them that they have the right to withdraw or terminate their consent at any time, in accordance with local law.

Professionalism

I shall maintain the highest standards of professional conduct, providing services in an ethical and professional manner in relation to my clientele, other health care professionals, and the general public.

I shall respect the rights of all practitioners and will cooperate with all health care professionals in a friendly and professional manner.

I shall refrain from the use of any mind-altering drugs, alcohol, or intoxicants prior to, or during, professional sessions.

I shall endeavor to the best of my ability and circumstance to continue my education in BodyTalk and stay abreast of the latest developments.

Scope of Practice/Appropriate Techniques

I shall not perform manipulations or adjustments of the human skeletal structure, diagnose, prescribe, or provide any other service, procedure, or therapy which requires a license to practice, such as chiropractic, osteopathy, physical therapy, podiatry, orthopedics, psychotherapy, acupuncture, dermatology, cosmetology, or any other profession or branch of medicine and healthcare unless specifically licensed to do so.

Image/Advertising Claims

I shall strive to project a professional image for myself, my business or place of employment, and the BodyTalk profession in general.

I shall actively participate in educating the public regarding the actual benefits of BodyTalk.

I shall practice honesty in advertising, promote my services ethically and in good taste, and practice and/or advertise only those techniques for which I have received adequate training and/or certification. I shall not make false claims regarding the potential benefits of the techniques rendered, including claims of "cures," healing of specific conditions, etc. (Please note that advertising guidelines are further delineated in Number 5 below.)

6. The CBP, for as long as the IBA Membership and licensing fees are kept current, may advertise and promote the BodyTalk System and his or her status as a CBP in accordance with the following guidelines:

- May use The BodyTalk System logos as well as the photograph of The BodyTalk System™ book by Dr. John Veltheim in their promotion and advertisements. All use of The BodyTalk System logos must adhere to the BodyTalk brand standards guide, which is available to view in the member's area of the IBA website www.bodytalksystem.com or upon request from the IBA office. The logos and book photo can be used by all IBA members to advertise the BodyTalk System and their BodyTalk practice.
- May use the BodyTalk System brochures, pamphlets, and advertising materials supplied by the IBA in whole or part to advertise and promote BodyTalk and the services provided by the CBP. However, neither the brochures nor any subsequent or additional brochures or materials can be photocopied to be distributed to the public. In addition, any brief description of the BodyTalk System must be accurate and in keeping with the information put forth in the brochure or the official BodyTalk System website, including the fact that BodyTalk does not diagnose or prescribe;

- May list their designation as a CBP in their advertising and promotion as well as their highest degree and healthcare license in accordance with local law and professional custom. Should they leave the IBA, they will no longer use the CBP title or infer in any other way that they belong to the IBA. Their IBA membership certificate and CBP certificate will be returned to the IBA head office or an IBA Instructor;
- Cannot state or imply a guarantee of results or cures in any advertising, promotion, or article;
- The Basic and Advanced BodyTalk Protocol charts can be used as a teaching and/or promotional device in order to educate the public as to the process and content areas of BodyTalk. These charts may be printed and/or published in their entirety with no alteration in either content or format;
- Any deviation from these guidelines must be submitted to IBA for approval prior to publication. In addition, if the CBP has a novel idea for promotion, he or she must also submit it to the IBA for approval prior to use and publication. A written response will be provided within 30 days of receipt;
- These guidelines cover print and all other media, current and future, including public lectures, interviews, and public demonstrations.

Please note: The IBA strongly recommends that CBPs who intend to use BodyTalk in a professional practice, become Practicing Members of the IBA. Practicing Members are the only CBPs listed on the Practitioners page of the BodyTalk website. And only Practicing Members can purchase promotional materials in bulk at discount prices. If you intend to practice BodyTalk professionally, our expectation is that you participate fully in the IBA.

7. The CBP must satisfy the following criteria for renewal of their certification:

- Complete 32 hours of IBA-Approved Continuing Education in the BodyTalk System™ within the two-year time period specified above.
 - Continuing Education will be credited for BodyTalk workshops monitored with licensed IBA instructors, advanced IBA workshops, IBA conference workshops, and IBA-Approved courses.
 - IBA-Approved continuing education courses are posted in the Courses section of the BodyTalk System™ website.
 - One (1) credit equals one hour (1) of instruction. The typical weekend workshop or module counts as 16 continuing education credit hours. Monitoring a workshop or module will count for ½ of the allotted credit hours. Required number of Continuing Education credit hours may be adjusted for local conditions such as the availability of modules in that area.
- Keep yearly IBA Membership / licensing fee current;
- Practice in accordance with the principles and The BodyTalk System™ protocol, including adhering to the ethical and advertising guidelines set forth above.

8. This agreement between the CBP and the IBA can be **terminated by either party without cause** with a 30-day written notice delivered by US certified mail or its foreign equivalent to the other party's last known address. Furthermore, the CBP acknowledges that once their certification or IBA membership is terminated, they will not advertise or in any way put themselves out to the public as being a certified BodyTalk System™ practitioner or an IBA member, nor can they use the IBA or BodyTalk System™ logos or any other IBA developed and supplied materials. They can, however, continue to practice the BodyTalk System.

9. The CBP agrees to defend, hold harmless, and indemnify the IBA and its officers and employees for any liability the CBP causes the IBA, its officers, or its employees to incur, including but not limited to the cost of defense.

10. In the event of legal action to enforce this Agreement, Florida law shall apply. In addition, venue will lie in the appropriate state court for Sarasota County, Florida, and the prevailing party shall be entitled to entry of judgment for costs and reasonable attorney's fees.

I, _____ (Print Name)

Address _____

have read this CBP agreement and agree to the terms contained herein.

_____ (Signature) _____ (Date)

_____ (Witness Signature) _____ (Print Name)

Sign and return to: International BodyTalk Association,
2750 Stickney Point Road, #203
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Dr. John Veltheim or Allan Vickers, General Manager will countersign the agreement and a copy will be returned to the CBP upon request along with a CBP certificate valid for two years beginning _____ and ending on _____, at 12:00 AM EST.

Approved by the International BodyTalk Association on _____ (Date)

by _____ or _____

John Veltheim,
President, International BodyTalk Association

Allan Vickers,
General Manager, International BodyTalk Association