

60th Annual Convention

Baltimore, Maryland | November 12–15, 2026
Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor AND THE Baltimore Convention Center

Exhibitor Contract

Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies

Join +3,500 mental health professionals and students specializing in behavioral and cognitive therapies who will be attending the upcoming ABCT Annual Convention.

Use this opportunity to discuss, one-on-one, your products and services with mental health professionals and students.

Exhibitor Contact

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Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor and Baltimore Convention Center in Baltimore, MD | November 12–15, 2026

Company/Organization (official name for signage and publishing): _____

Street Address/City/State/Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____ **E-mail:** _____

URL/Website Address: _____ **General Company Email:** _____

Agreement: The undersigned hereby authorizes the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies to reserve exhibit space and/or a sponsorship in the Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor for the use by the above company/organization during the 60th Annual ABCT Convention. In making this contract, the undersigned hereby agrees to conform to the Exhibit Regulations for the 2026 ABCT Annual Convention that is made as part of this contract. It is mutually agreed that all of said regulations shall be interpreted by the Board of Directors of ABCT, and the parties here to shall be bound by such interpretation. All exhibitors must purchase insurance.

Authorized Signature: _____ **Title:** _____ **Date:** _____

Contact Information (this information is **not for publication**):

Name: _____ **Title:** _____

Address (if different from above): _____

E-mail: _____ **Phone:** _____ **Fax:** _____

► **Exhibit Booth Selection/Pricing:** Please reserve _____ booth(s) @ \$2,500 per 10 x 10 Exhibit Booth or the nonprofit rate of \$2,200

Booth cost includes table and chairs, sign, garbage can, and pipe and drape, but does not include furnishings or utilities such as electric or internet. Two Exhibitor Badges per booth are provided. Names must be provided to ABCT one month prior to the Convention and no later than Friday, October 2, 2026. All other exhibitor attendees must register and pay the General registration fee. Exhibits will be open and should be staffed from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Sunday.

Participating companies qualify for a 50-word description of their product or services, which will appear on our website and in the Program Supplement. Descriptions exceeding 50 words will be edited. Please email tchilders@abct.org when sending in your contract.

List choices of booth locations (numbers) in order of preference:

1st choice: _____ 2nd choice: _____ 3rd choice: _____ 4th choice: _____ 5th choice: _____ \$ _____

► **Ad in Convention Program Supplement:**

Please reserve _____ space(s) in the Convention Program Supplement:

☐ Full Page, regular rate (\$2,500); ☐ Full Page, nonprofit rate (\$2,000)

☐ 1/2 page, regular rate (\$1,000); ☐ 1/2 page, nonprofit rate (\$800) \$ _____

Payment Information: Full payment is required with contract and must be received in U.S. currency. Your application will not be processed without payment. All exhibiting/sponsorship companies/organizations cancelling space prior to September 4, 2026 will be charged a \$500 processing fee. No refunds will be issued for exhibit space cancellations received after September 4, 2026.

CHECK or MONEY ORDER: Mail this form, along with your check or money order, made payable to ABCT to: Tonya Childers, Exhibits Manager, ABCT, 305 Seventh Avenue, 16th Floor, New York, NY 10001-6008

Visa | MasterCard | American Express | Check

Credit Card # _____ CVV _____ Expiration Date _____

Cardholder Name (please print) _____

Cardholder email _____

Amount total charge: \$ _____ "I authorize you to charge the payment"

Signature _____ Print Name: _____

ABCT Use Only

Date Received: _____

Amt. Received: \$ _____

Check # _____

Booth # _____

Join Us! We look forward to your participating as an exhibitor at the 60th Annual ABCT Convention at the Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor and the Baltimore Convention Center in Baltimore, MD. Thank you for your support of ABCT and the broader cognitive-behavioral field.

ABCT has 4,000+ members and based on past attendance we expect approximately 3,500 people to attend the **60th Annual Convention** this year in Baltimore, MD.

All the following points are understood and accepted as part of the contract between the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies (ABCT) and those who engage booth space in the 60th Annual ABCT Convention Exhibit.

Appropriate exhibitors are publishers of books, journals, videos, or software; schools, foundations, suppliers of professional equipment, computers, or professional services; mental health societies, residential treatment facilities, and professional recruitment services.

1. Purpose

The purpose of all the exhibits shall be to serve the interests of the Association and the field of the behavioral and cognitive therapies. The Association reserves the right to require the immediate withdrawal of an exhibit if the Association believes it may be injurious to the purpose of the Association.

2. Booth Information

All booths are **10' x 10'**. Dimensions are believed to be accurate but are only warranted to be approximate. Back walls of booths are 8' high and dividers are 3' high. To maintain uniformity and to prevent obstruction of the view of adjoining booths, displays must not be higher than 8' in the back nor higher than 4' along dividers and aisles. No walls, partitions, decorations, or other obstructions may be erected that in any way interfere with the view of any other exhibit.

Exhibitors desiring to use other than standard booth equipment or any signs, decorations, or arrangements of display material conflicting in any way with these regulations must submit two copies of a detailed sketch of a proposed layout at least two months prior to the opening of the exhibit and must receive written approval from Courtney L. White, Ph.D., CAE, Chief Executive Officer of the Association. The booth framework is aluminum.

The price of the booth includes, in addition to the space itself for the duration of the show, a standard one-line sign showing the firm name, and booth number of the exhibitor, placed on the back wall of the

booth; janitorial service for the aisles of the exhibit areas; and **two complimentary exhibitor registrations**.

3. Exhibit Area

Exhibits will be located in the Key Ballroom on level one of the Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor Hotel. The Ballroom is carpeted. Sufficient light is provided for adequate general illumination of the entire area, but no individual electric outlet is included in the booth price, and any additional electrical work must be ordered on the form supplied in the Exhibitor's Service Kit.

4. Exhibit Schedule

The exhibit area will be ready for setup and installation at 1:00 P.M. on Thursday, November 12th, and installation must be completed no later than 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, November 12th. Any display space not occupied and set up by that time may be cancelled or reassigned without refund. Exhibitors and drayage service will be available from 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, and from 8:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M. on Friday.

Exhibits will be open and should be staffed from 9:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. on Friday and Saturday, and from 9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. on Sunday.

The Association reserves the right to make schedule changes of the hours set forth above for compelling reasons. Such changes will be made known in advance, wherever possible. The Association reserves the right to reassign booths and/or redesign the exhibit area should circumstances require. Exhibitors may begin dismantling displays at 11:30 A.M. on Sunday, November 15th. Packing crates for boxes that will be returned starting at 1:00 P.M. All packing must be completed by 2:00 P.M., Sunday. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to arrange for return shipment of exhibitor materials, and GES should be notified of any return shipping instructions.

**BOOTHS MUST BE STAFFED
THROUGHOUT THE CONVENTION.
NO REPACKING WILL BE ALLOWED
BEFORE SUNDAY AT 11:30 A.M.**

5. Exhibit Decoration and Drayage

The official exhibit show decorator is GES Exhibition and Event Services. Exhibitors desiring to rent booth

furniture and additional draping or accessories may order these from the show decorator at prices specified on the order form that will be sent to each exhibitor. Service forms covering electrical and telephone services will be included in the GES service kit.

All property is to be shipped to and from GES by each exhibitor. Materials should be shipped as indicated on the drayage form supplied in the exhibitor's kit. **SHIPMENTS TO THE HILTON BALTIMORE INNER HARBOR HOTEL WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.** All shipments that arrive at the hotel prior to the scheduled move-in will be directed to a bonded warehouse for storage and delivery to the exhibitor's booth at show time **at the exhibitor's expense.**

All warehouse shipment information and shipment details with deadlines will be available in the Exhibitor Services Kit.

Drayage service will include placing the material in the exhibitor's booth, removal and storage of all empty crates until the end of the show and return of the crates to the exhibitor's booth. It does not include any erection, unskidding in booths, dismantling, trading, blocking, or bracing.

6. Standard Conditions for Exhibits and Displays

NONFLAMMABLE MATERIALS: All material in the Exhibit Hall or any other room of the hotel **MUST** be nonflammable.

LIABILITY: Neither ABCT, the hotel, nor the drayage firm will be held responsible for any injury, loss, or damage that may occur to the exhibit, the exhibitor's agents, employees, or property, or to any other person or property prior, during, or subsequent to the period covered by the exhibit contract, provided said injury, loss, or damage is not caused by the willful negligence of any employee of ABCT, the hotel, or the drayage firm. Each exhibitor hereby expressly releases ABCT, the hotel, and the drayage firm from such liabilities and agrees to indemnify ABCT, the hotel, and the drayage firm against any and all such injury, loss, or damage.

SECURITY: As a courtesy, the Association will provide perimeter security for the exhibit area on a 24-hour basis during the entire exhibit period. The furnishing of such service is in no case to be understood or interpreted by exhibitors as a guarantee to them against loss or theft of any kind. Exhibitors who so desire may carry insurance at their own expense. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged not to leave items of value unattended in booths.

FIRE REGULATIONS: All doors and openings must be kept clear. Exit signs, fire alarms, and extinguishers must be visible at all times. Absolutely no storage of materials of any type is allowed behind, beneath, or between booths.

INDEMNIFICATION: Exhibitor assumes entire responsibility and hereby agrees to protect, indemnify, defend and save ABCT, the Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor Hotel and its employees and agents harmless against all claims, losses, and damages to persons or property, governmental charges or fines, and attorneys' fees arising out of or caused by exhibitor's installation, removal, maintenance, occupancy, or use of the exhibition premises or a part thereof, excluding any such liability caused by the sole negligence of the Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor Hotel or ABCT, its employees and agents.

In addition, exhibitor acknowledges that ABCT and the Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor Hotel do not maintain insurance covering exhibitor's property and that it is the sole responsibility of exhibitor to obtain business interruption and property damage insurance covering such losses by exhibitor.

7. Operating the Exhibit

Soliciting or demonstrating by an exhibitor must be confined to the exhibitor's own booth. Distribution of the exhibitor's printed advertisements must be done within the exhibitor's own space. Aisles in front of the booths must be kept clear. Objectionable sound devices may not be operated. Engines or any kind of equipment may be operated only with the consent of the Director of Education and the Exhibits Manager. All property damaged or destroyed by an exhibitor must be replaced in the original condition by the exhibitor or at the exhibitor's expense.

Canvassing, exhibiting, or distributing advertising matter outside designated exhibit area is prohibited. Persons who are not exhibitors are prohibited from any detailing, exhibiting, or soliciting within the hotel. No exhibits, displays, or advertising material of any kind will be allowed in the convention hotel rooms or hallways.

8. Music

Exhibits are prohibited from playing copyrighted music and/or playing any music at a volume that disturbs neighboring exhibitors.

9. Cancellation or Subletting

Because of the many advance preparations in connection with the exhibit, all exhibitors wishing to cancel their exhibit space and receive a refund **MUST** submit notice in writing to the ABCT Central Office and do so prior to September 4, 2026. There will be a \$500 processing fee. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE GRANTED AFTER THIS DATE.** If the exhibit should be cancelled due to circumstances beyond the control of ABCT or of the Hotel, 50% of all payments connected with booth rental will be refunded.

No exhibitor may assign, sublet, or apportion the whole or any part of the space allocated to him/her, nor exhibit therein any other goods than those manufactured or distributed by the exhibitor in the regular course of his business, without the written consent of ABCT.

10. Contractual Agreement

It is agreed that the exhibitor will abide by the rules and regulations above cited before, during, and after the exhibit, and by other reasonable rules considered by ABCT or the Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor Hotel provided these do not materially alter the exhibitor's contractual rights. All exhibitors must have general aggregate liability insurance up to \$2,000,000, or \$1,000,000 each occurrence.

All matters and questions not covered by these regulations are at the discretion of ABCT. These regulations may be amended at any time by ABCT, and all amendments that may be so made shall be equally binding upon publication on all parties affected by them as the original regulations. In the event of a dispute between the exhibitor and ABCT, it is agreed that the questions may be referred to the Board of Directors of ABCT and that their decision shall be final.

Please note that ABCT's Board of Directors has adopted a nondiscrimination policy, which reads:

The Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies is committed to a policy of equal opportunity in all of its activities, including employment. ABCT does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national or ethnic origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, or veteran status.

The bottom line of the policy implementation is that any institution that hires or offers training must, when promoting those functions at any ABCT venue, review the ABCT nondiscrimination policy. Any differences from ABCT's nondiscrimination policy must be stated in the convention addendum which is distributed on-site. For example, "The nondiscrimination policy of institution XYZ differs from the ABCT policy in that it does not include religion or ethnic origin."

This statement should be submitted at the same time as the institution's description. This information will be in addition to the normal exhibitor description that appears in the Addendum. We will make copies of the Addendum available for you at the booth, and ask that you have them available upon request from attendees.

If you have any questions, please contact the ABCT Central Office at convention@abct.org. Thank you.

Hilton Baltimore - Key Ballroom

