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Through her business Jones Animal Behavior, Katenna Jones provides private dog and cat behavior consulting services and group classes and also speaks internationally to animal care and control professionals.

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She is co-chair of the IAABC's Shelter Division, has been involved in animal sheltering and rescue since 2000, consults regularly with shelters and rescues, and is a disaster responder.

She is also author of *Fetching the Perfect Dog Trainer: Getting the Best for You and Your Dog* and has contributed to numerous local and national publications.

Katenna earned her Master's Degree from Brown University where she studied animal behavior, learning and cognition. She is an Associate Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist, Certified Cat and Dog Behavior Consultant, and Certified Pet Dog Trainer.

Abstract

Workshop - From Surrender to Adoption: The Role of Behavior

When it comes to any species, behavior cannot be underestimated. From humans to hummingbirds, from beetles to blowfish - behavior can tell us a great deal of information about likes and dislikes, desires and needs, emotional and physical feelings, illness, and more. In the sheltering world, behavior is equivalent to veterinary care in value and necessity. We would not dream of withholding proper nutrition, basic medical care, and relief from physical discomfort. Likewise, we are obligated to provide proper physical and mental nourishment, on-going behavioral care, and relief from emotional distress.

In this day-long session, we will discuss the role of behavior throughout an animal's journey through your system, including effective in-take interviews, behavior assessments, on-going behavioral care, adoption screening and matches, as well as adoption retention.

Plan to bring your organization's in-take forms, assessment, adoption application, and any behavior/training related forms or policies for assessment.