

Hello,

**Welcome** and congratulations from the New Zealand BodyTalk Association (NZBA) on starting your journey into the wonderful world of BodyTalk!

The NZBA has been created to actively **promote and support its members** and **promote this wonderful healing modality** throughout New Zealand.

We work to:

- Promote national awareness of The BodyTalk System throughout NZ
- Create a cohesive national network to cultivate, support and encourage the BodyTalk community
- Support students on their BodyTalk journey and encourage and support their continued professional development
- Be a voice for our members
- Encourage and support instructors of all International BodyTalk Association (IBA) courses in NZ and any other courses that will benefit our members
- Liaise with other professions and organisations
- Provide you with a student Liaison to support you on your journey

**We invite you to join us!**

There are many benefits to becoming a student member of the NZBA:

- **Practice nights**
  - In different regions and at various times, there are practice nights that offer students the opportunity to practice different techniques that you learned in class, under the supervision of experienced Certified BodyTalk Practitioners (CBPs).
  - They also provide a great opportunity to form relationships with your fellow students and create support networks between you when studying for exams.
- **Mentoring support**
  - The NZBA is available to act as an intermediary to put you in touch with CBPs to 'partner up' and provide guidance and support as you learn, practice and revise.
- **NZBA matrix**
  - Be engaged with and supported by the NZ BodyTalk Matrix and feel a part of a wider network of 'family' energy.
  - Connect with like-minded people who understand 'your language'.
- **Social gatherings**
  - These happen in different areas, to create friendship and support
- **Special events / Presentations**
  - Special events and expos to promote BodyTalk and the NZBA members
  - Promotion of various classes and visiting international instructors

- **E-Newsletters**
  - Regular e-newsletters creating awareness on the latest happenings, various events, up coming classes, articles and sharing.
- **NZBA on Facebook**
  - A closed group on Facebook called 'NZBA Members page' is available to you and supported by our NZ Instructors.
  - News items, interesting articles about energy work, quantum physics principles, upcoming events, and a space where you get to ask questions and connect with other BodyTalkers country wide.
- **NZBA Annual Conference**
  - As a member you will receive an invitation to our Annual Conference with speakers and presentations designed to support you and your business.

We invite all students who have **completed Fundamentals training** to join the NZBA.

Kia kaha, kia ora. We wish you well on your new voyage of discovery with The BodyTalk System. We hope that you can join us in our voyage towards improving the health and wellbeing of all New Zealanders.

#### **HOW TO BECOME A STUDENT MEMBER**

1. Read and agree to comply with the IBA Code of Ethics (P3)
2. Complete the online [NZBA Membership Form for Students](#)
3. Transfer \$35 to Westpac 03 0435 0750345 00 and include your name as reference.

We will then email you with a link to join our CLOSED NZBA Members page and add you to our database.

#### **The New Zealand BodyTalk Committee**

[www.nzbodytalk.org.nz](http://www.nzbodytalk.org.nz)

**President:** [Linda Shaw](#)

**Treasurer:** [Janine Stokes](#)

**Secretary:** [Rod Lawrence](#)

**Committee + Newsletter + Web Organizer:** [Emma Grieve](#)

**Committee + Student Liaison:** [Sonya Hooper](#)

**Committee + CBP Liaison:** [Hilary Carlile](#)

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

## **IBA Code of Ethics**

### **Client Relationships**

- I shall endeavour 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 services.
- I shall endeavour 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, orthopaedics, 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, promoting 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.