

William L. Buchanan, PhD, ABPP: Pioneering Mental Health Care in Alpharetta, Georgia

Offering Expertise in Clinical and Forensic Psychology, Transforming Lives Through Comprehensive Evaluations and Family Therapy



Alpharetta, Georgia Oct 14, 2025 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - North Point Psychology, LLC, led by Dr. William L. Buchanan, PhD, ABPP, is redefining mental health care in the Alpharetta community. As a clinical and forensic psychologist with over 35 years of experience, Dr. Buchanan is dedicated to providing exceptional psychological services to children, adolescents, and families. His practice specializes in comprehensive psychological evaluations, including assessments for ADHD and the effects of stimulant medication, making North Point Psychology a vital resource for families navigating mental health challenges.

Dr. Buchanan has been licensed as a psychologist in Georgia since 1988 and is recognized for his expertise in clinical psychology, child psychology, family therapy, and neuropsychology. Board Certified in Clinical Psychology by the American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP), a distinction held by less than 4% of U.S. psychologists, Dr. Buchanan's qualifications reflect his commitment to excellence in the field. He utilizes state-of-the-art technology to ensure accurate assessments and outcomes for his clients.

Dr. Buchanan's academic journey began at the University of Georgia, where he studied for two years before transferring to Emory University, graduating with Honors. He earned a Master's Degree in Counseling Psychology from the University of Southern Mississippi and completed his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology at Georgia State University, focusing on Clinical Child and Family Psychology. His doctoral internship at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, accredited by the American Psychological Association (APA), further solidified his foundation in clinical practice.

In addition to his clinical work, Dr. Buchanan is an Approved Supervisor of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT) and holds designations as a Nationally Certified Custody Evaluator (NCCE) and a Nationally Certified Parenting Coordinator (NCPC) through the Professional Academy of Custody Experts (PACE). These certifications highlight his extensive knowledge and commitment to supporting families in navigating complex custody and parenting issues.

Dr. Buchanan's contributions to psychology extend beyond his practice. He has served on the Editorial Board of The American Journal of Family Therapy, co-authored "The Dictionary of Family Psychology and Family Therapy," and contributed to various professional textbooks and research publications. His expertise is frequently shared through workshops and presentations at national and state conferences covering topics such as family therapy, ADHD, attachment disorders, and mental health legislation.

Before founding North Point Psychology, LLC, in 2001, Dr. Buchanan practiced psychology for 14 years in Gainesville, Georgia. His previous roles included Assistant Director of the Department of Clinical Psychology and Neuropsychology at Northeast Georgia Medical Center and a psychologist consultant to their Weight Management Program. His wealth of experience ensures that clients receive the highest standard of care tailored to their individual needs.

Alongside his clinical practice, Dr. Buchanan has dedicated over 20 years to consulting and supervising Eagle Ranch, a residential program for children in Chestnut Mountain, Georgia. His involvement with the Family Relations Program, now known as the Center for Hope and Healing, further underscores his commitment to supporting vulnerable populations. Dr. Buchanan has also held leadership roles within the Georgia Psychological Association, advocating for mental health professionals and the ethical

practice of psychology.

Dr. Buchanan's community engagement is evident through his service on the Board of Gateway House, a shelter for abused women and their children, and his advisory roles with the Georgia 9th District Head Start program and the Georgia Department of Medical Assistance (Medicaid). His advocacy work earned him the Karl F. Heiser Presidential Award for Advocacy from the American Psychological Association in 1995, along with multiple President's Awards from the Georgia Psychological Association in 1996 and 1998.

Outside of his professional endeavors, Dr. Buchanan has been married to Dr. Linda Buchanan for 40 years. Dr. Linda, the Founder and Co-Director of the Atlanta Center for Eating Disorders, shares Dr. Buchanan's passion for mental health advocacy. Together, they have two adopted sons and maintain an open adoption relationship with their birth mothers. The Buchanan family enjoys outdoor activities such as camping, hiking, and snow skiing, and they have a shared love for the "Star Trek" series.

Recently, the Buchanans became members of Antioch Christian Church in Canton, further strengthening their ties to the community. Dr. Buchanan's enduring relationships with local pastors span over 40 years, stemming from his involvement in Young Life during high school and college. His commitment to service and leadership has been a defining aspect of his life, reflecting his belief in the importance of community and support.

Dr. Buchanan attributes his success to hard work, a supportive family, and a relentless drive to contribute to the field of mental health. His unwavering dedication to healing and growth has made North Point Psychology, LLC, an invaluable asset to the Alpharetta community, where families can find the support and guidance they need to navigate life's challenges.

Learn More about Dr. William L. Buchanan:

Through his findatopdoc profile, <https://www.findatopdoc.com/doctor/915598-William-Buchanan-Psychologist> or through North Point Psychology, LLC, <https://www.northpointpsychology.com/bio.html>

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