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1. When did you attend your first Academy annual meeting? I first attended in Sante Fe, NM, in 2000.

## 2. What attracted you to AAHB?

The members of the Academy were the top health behavior researchers, and the meetings were designed to encourage interaction with the presenters (also leaders in health behavior research) and the attendees. The meetings were purposely designed to have participants engage with each other by providing time to build a professional network.

- 3. What do you value about the Academy, and why did you choose to be involved as President? I value the people that make up the Academy. The Academy is an entity that facilitates the dissemination of the best health behavior research. I chose to be involved as President because it was a way to pay forward to the members and new members for all the Academy had provided me.
- **4.** What was your vision for AAHB when you assumed the role of President?

  To continue the legacy of the founding members, charter members, and past presidents.
- **5.** What was your biggest accomplishment as President? The members could respond better to this question than I.
- 6. Where do you see AAHB in the next 10 years?

The collective wisdom and research of AAHB members make the world healthier.

7. Do you have any advice for students and early career researchers?

I encourage you to push outside your limits and do research that will change the world.