The Council for Children with Behavior Disorders (CCBD) is a division of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC). It is the primary professional organization for special educators working with students with emotional and behavioral needs and has recently changed its name to the “Division of Emotional Behavioral Health” (DEBH). During its early years, the Midwest Symposium for Leadership in Behavior Disorders (MSLBD) was designated as an approved activity by CCBD.

Although there is no official connection currently between CCBD and MSLBD, many on the MSLBD Planning Committee have been officers or committee chairs for CCBD. In fact, twelve current or former members of the MSLBD Planning Committee have served as President of CCBD and several have served as secretary, treasurer, advocacy and governmental relations chair, and other roles in CCBD. Antonis Katsiyannis has also served as the President of International Council for Exceptional Children, and Mitchel Yell currently serves as a Member-at-Large of the CEC Board of Directors.

In addition to sharing leadership, the two organizations have collaborated on projects such as the creation of the CCBD practitioner publication, Beyond Behavior. MSLBD was the co-sponsor and financial
supporter of the first issue of *Beyond Behavior* in 1990. Its founding co-editors - Sharon Maroney, Reece Peterson, Carl Smith and Mary Kay Zabel - were members of the MSLBD Planning Committee and editors of *Beyond Behavior* during its first six years. It is likely that there will be continued sharing of people and projects in the future!