

# DWMHA Autism Applied Behavior Analysis Benefit

## Frequently Asked Questions

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1. **Do we need to e-mail you when there are authorizations in MH-WIN to be reviewed?** No.
2. **Will all services need to be pre-authorized?** Yes.
3. **Who will be responsible for their formal review of progress?** The Clinically Responsible Service Provider (CRSP) and is responsible for completing the required Quarterly Reviews of Progress/IPOS Reviews. The Supports Coordinator and ABA Provider will need to coordinate with each other to ensure the Amount/Scope/Duration/Frequency of services are accurate with less than a 25% variance.
4. **Who will be submitting authorization requests for ABA Services?** The DWMHA Contracted ABA Service Providers.
5. **Can the Supports Coordinating Agency be the same as the ABA Provider Agency?** Yes, but the Supports Coordinator cannot be the Behaviorist (BCBA/BCaBA/QBHP).
7. **How would you like us to obtain authorization for the ADOS-2/ADIR Evaluation?** Families will need to contact Pioneer and schedule their Autism Diagnosis Evaluation Appointments. When this appointment is booked, the ABA Agency will receive an authorization for (1) unit of H0031-U5 and (5) units of 96101-U5.
9. **How are non-ABA benefit services being authorized and paid?** All other services would be authorized and funded through the MCPN system.
10. **How should Psychiatric Care be authorized and billed?** Psychiatric Care is authorized and billed through the MCPN System. The Psychiatric Codes in the ABA Benefit can be utilized, if medically necessary, for Autism Diagnosis & ABA Benefit Eligibility Determination.
11. **How should existing MCPN consumers enter the ABA Benefit?** Existing families in the DWMHA system are required to call the DWMHA Access Center at: (800)241-4949 to receive the M-CHAT or SCQ screening and secure a face-to-face diagnosis appointment.
13. **What do I do if someone declines the benefit?** Contracted ABA Benefit Providers must provide an AAN and identify the case on the discharge tab of the *ABA Benefit Monthly Log* due the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.
14. **How will families have choice in selecting an ABA Provider and CRSP Provider?** Families have choice at the time of screening with the DWMHA Access Center to select the agency that they wish to go to for services. Families can also transfer providers throughout treatment.
15. **Does the ABA Benefit Diagnosis Evaluation Provider have to provide all of the services to the child?** No, it is ideal for the ABA Benefit Diagnosis Evaluation Provider to also be the provider agency to render other ABA Benefit services as the evaluation provides valuable information for the team to begin the ABA treatment planning process, but not required. The Evaluation Provider would be responsible for the case until a different provider accepts the case.
16. **Who should schedule the Autism ABA Benefit appointments with the family?** The ADOS-2/ADIR is scheduled by the DWMHA Access Center in the MHWIN system with the family based upon appointments entered by the Autism ABA Benefit Provider. The Autism ABA Benefit Provider schedules all on-going services with the family.
17. **How many Family Trainings are appropriate?** The amount of family trainings appropriate will be person-centered and dependent on the submitted justification for services identified in the individual's IPOS.
21. **Is 96101 U5 used for the cognitive evaluations?** Yes
24. **What do I do if a child's case is inactive due to family choice?** DWMHA Contracted ABA Providers must enter family driven inactivity into the WSA in the inactivity tab.