

New York Medicaid Coverage of Applied Behavior Analysis

Issue

Rather than reimbursing the tiered-delivery model, New York Medicaid is only reimbursing for services provided by a licensed behavior analyst (LBA) or certified behavior analyst assistant (CBAA).

Impact

Practically speaking, this means LBAs will be reimbursed \$76 per hour by New York Medicaid to provide essentially all ABA services to the Medicaid population. Access to medically necessary ABA services will be severely limited.

Needed Action

- [Make a Parity Complaint](#)

The exclusion of the tiered-delivery model is a non-quantitative treatment limit because it doesn't adhere to generally accepted standards of care (GASC). You can bring this to the attention of each of the agencies below:

- New York Department of Financial Services [Online Complaint Form](#)
Consumer Assistance Unit: 1-800-342-3736
- New York Department of Health
Email: managedcarecomplaint@health.ny.gov
Phone: 1-800-206-8125
- New York Attorney General Health Care Bureau [Online Complaint Form](#)
Helpline: 1-800-428-9071

- Contact the New York Department of Health

Let them know that the exclusion of the tiered delivery model, including behavior technicians, is a non-starter.

- Medicaid Fee for Service
Office of Health Insurance Programs (OHIP),
Division of Program Development and Management (DPDM)
518) 473-2160 or by email at FFSMedicaidPolicy@health.ny.gov.
- Contact information for each Medicaid Managed Care Plan can be found in the [eMedNY NYS Medicaid Program Information for All Providers Managed Care Information document](#)

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