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Applied Behavior Analysis Policy Development

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Purpose

- Give Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) a distinct and separate chapter
- Provide information regarding removal of auth requirement from ABA services and new service limitations



Proposed Changes

- DHCFFP is proposing the creation of a distinct and separate Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter for ABA
- This change will remove the ABA policy from Chapter 1500 Attachment B and will create MSM Chapter 3700 Applied Behavior Analysis



Proposed Changes Cont.

- 3703.1B Prior Authorization Requirements
 2. Behavioral Initial assessment and re-assessments do not require prior authorization. Assessments are limited to one in every 180 days per provider or unless prior authorized.
 3. Adaptive Behavioral Treatment provided directly to an individual does not require prior authorization.
 - a. Individual treatment is limited to 20 hours per week, per recipient.
 - b. If the recipient should require more than 20 hours per week, prior authorization would be required.



Proposed Changes Cont.

- 3703.1B Prior Authorization Requirements Cont.
 4. Adaptive Behavior Treatment provided in a group setting does not require prior authorization.
 - a. Group treatment is limited to 8 hours per week, per recipient.
 - b. If the recipient should require more than 8 hours per week, prior authorization would be required.
 5. Adaptive Family Behavioral training provided to an individual recipient and/or their parents/guardians does not require prior authorization.
 - a. Individual family training is limited to one hour per week, per recipient.
 - b. If the recipient should require more than one hour per week, prior authorization would be required.



Proposed Changes Cont.

- 3703.1B Prior Authorization Requirements Cont.
 6. Adaptive Family Behavior training provided in a group setting with or without the recipient present does not require prior authorization.
 - a. Group family training is limited to one hour every calendar month, per recipient.
 - b. If the recipient should require more than one hour per calendar month, prior authorization would be required.
 7. Supervision by a BCBA of a BCaBA or RBT does not require prior authorization.
 - a. Supervision is limited to 24 hours per calendar month, per recipient.
 - b. If the recipient should require more than 24 hours per calendar month, prior authorization would be required.



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