

February 23, 2021

TELEHEALTH SERVICES DURING THE COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) RESPONSE

APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS (ABA) THERAPY (APPLIES TO MARKETPLACE ONLY)

Community will temporarily allow telehealth for ABA Therapy for services rendered between **March 20**, **2020** through **March 31**, **2021**.

- Limited to established Members receiving ABA therapy with an existing approved prior authorization on file.
- Covered telehealth service delivery modalities are limited to those providing an interactive audiovisual connection to the Member.
 - Supporting assessment/reassessment performed by the Behavioral Technician (nonclinical): 97152
 - Supervision between the licensed Behavioral Health Provider and the Behavior Technician: 97155
 - o Parent group training: 97156
 - Multi-family group behavioral treatment: 97157
 - Mental health service plan development: H0032
 - o Direct behavior support by Behavioral Technician: 97153
 - o Initial assessments (97151) limited to treatment plan updates / reassessment by the licensed Behavioral Health Provider
- The following services are <u>not</u> covered:
 - o Telephone-only services or those delivered via live chat are not covered.
 - o Group adaptive treatment by the Behavior Technician (97154) is not a covered telehealth service.
 - Group adaptive behavior treatment by the licensed Behavioral Health Provider (97158) is not a covered telehealth service
- For new Members needing urgent services, a higher level of care may be more appropriate to treat acute and imminent risk of harm to self and/or others.

Should you have any questions, please contact your Provider Engagement Representative or call our Provider Services line at 713.295.6704.