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MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
Applied Behavior Analysis Transmittal No. 3
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TO: Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Providers

FROM: Alex Shekhdar, Acting Director
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RE: Guidance on the Continuation of Telehealth for ABA Services

NOTE: Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this transmittal.

As announced by the Governor on [June 15 and August 11, 2021](#), all emergency mandates and restrictions ended on July 1, with a 45-day administrative grace period through August 15, when the state of emergency (SOE) and catastrophic health emergency ended. Accordingly, the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) began to sunset the emergency orders issued by the Secretary of Health. Though MDH is terminating some temporary provisions made during the SOE, the passing of Senate Bill 3 (the Preserve Telehealth Access Act of 2021) allows Maryland Medicaid to continue to reimburse for services appropriately rendered via telehealth.

Effective November 1, 2021, Maryland Medicaid will no longer reimburse for the telehealth delivery of the following ABA services: 97151, 97152, 97153, 97154, 97158, H2012, 0362T and 0373T.

Below is a list of procedure codes for services that will continue to be reimbursed when provided via audio-visual telehealth. At this time, ABA providers may continue to render up to 100% of supervision services (97155) via telehealth. When billing for services that are rendered via two-way HIPAA compliant audio-visual telehealth, providers must bill using the GT modifier and Place of Service 11 to indicate a telehealth delivery model.

Please forward any questions to mdh.aba@maryland.gov or MarylandProviderRelations@Optum.com.

| Procedure Code | Description |
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| 97155 | Supervision of an RBT/BCaBA |
| 97156/97156-U2 | Parent Training |
| 97157 | Group Parent Training |