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RATE UPDATE FOR APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS SERVICES

Applies to: Assistant Behavior Analyst; Registered Behavior Technician

Effective date: July 1, 2021

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MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE RATE INCREASE FOR SELECT ABA PROCEDURES

Pending CMS approval, effective for dates of services on or after July 1, 2021, the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) will increase the fee-for-service maximum allowable amount for select ABA services. These changes reflect increases appropriated for the Fiscal Year 2022 budget.

MHD will reimburse the lower of the provider's billed charge or the maximum allowable amount for the date of service billed. Providers may not bill MHD at a higher rate than they charge their private pay patients. Providers must bill MHD their usual and customary rate.

Attachment A lists the affected procedure codes. The MHD will mass adjust claims paid for dates of service on or after July 1, 2021 that process prior to updating the fee schedule.

APPLICABILITY

This bulletin applies only to the MHD fee-for-service delivery system; managed care members receive ABA through the fee-for-service delivery system.

MHD Fee Schedule	Procedure Code	Description	Mod 1	Mod 2	Current Rate	Proposed FY22 Max Allowable Amount Effective 07/01/2021	Performed by:
EPSDT	97153	Adaptive behavior treatment by protocol, administered by technician	TM	HN	\$7.70	\$16.12	Assistant Behavior Analyst
EPSDT	97153	Adaptive behavior treatment by protocol, administered by technician	U8	HN	\$7.70	\$16.12	Assistant Behavior Analyst
EPSDT	97153	Adaptive behavior treatment by protocol, administered by technician	HN		\$7.70	\$16.12	Assistant Behavior Analyst
EPSDT	97155	Adaptive behavior treatment with protocol modification administered by QHP	TM	HN	\$12.30	\$16.12	Assistant Behavior Analyst
EPSDT	97155	Adaptive behavior treatment with protocol modification administered by QHP	U8	HN	\$14.44	\$16.12	Assistant Behavior Analyst
EPSDT	97155	Adaptive behavior treatment with protocol modification administered by QHP	HN		\$12.30	\$16.12	Assistant Behavior Analyst
EPSDT	97156	Family adaptive behavior treatment guidance	TM	HN	\$11.07	\$16.12	Assistant Behavior Analyst
EPSDT	97156	Family adaptive behavior treatment guidance	U8	HN	\$11.07	\$16.12	Assistant Behavior Analyst
EPSDT	97156	Family adaptive behavior treatment guidance	HN		\$11.07	\$16.12	Assistant Behavior Analyst
Medical/EPSDT	97153	Adaptive behavior treatment by protocol, administered by technician	TM	HM	\$7.70	\$9.50	Registered Behavior Technician
EPSDT	97153	Adaptive behavior treatment by protocol, administered by technician	HN	HM	\$7.70	\$9.50	Registered Behavior Technician
Medical/EPSDT	97153	Adaptive behavior treatment by protocol, administered by technician	HO	HM	\$7.70	\$9.50	Registered Behavior Technician

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The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service

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573-751-2896**