PROVIDER ALERT

Registered Behavior Technician (RBT)
Requirement Reminder

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Beacon Health Options would like to remind ABA providers that all ABA technicians must be Registered Behavior Technicians (RBT) through the Behavior Analyst Certification Board effective January 1, 2019. This rule will apply to all technicians, new and old. Medicaid provider numbers will be terminated for behavior technicians who have not been certified as an RBT and had their certification status updated in ePREP prior to 1/1/19.

The process of obtaining RBT certification is clearly outlined on the BACB website, accessed via the link below:

APPLYING FOR RBT – Behavior Analyst Certification Board

Providers who have yet to begin the process of obtaining this certification for their staff should commence as soon as possible. Examinations are administered at the testing sites on a monthly basis. However, the requirements of the 40-hour curriculum along with completing the RBT Competency Assessment can take some time for staff to arrange into their schedule.

Once the RBT certification is obtained, providers should go to the ePREP website and submit a supplemental application. The Supplemental Application can be found via the provider group account on the ePREP site located here:

https://eprep.health.maryland.gov/sso/login.do

Follow the steps described on the website and be sure to attach the applicant's RBT certificate to the application prior to submitting.

Any provider that has staff that have obtained RBT certification since enrolling in Maryland Medicaid as a BT that have not updated this with Medicaid is encouraged to do so as soon as possible.

If you are uncertain of which staff you have enrolled as RBTs already, Beacon's Provider Relations Department can supply you with a current list of certification status for your staff. You can request this information by sending an email to:

abamarylandproviderrelations@beaconhealthoptions.com

If you have any questions pertaining to how to complete the enrollment process, please

contact Maryland Medicaid's Provider Enrollment Call Center at:
1.844.463.7768(1.844.4MD.PROV)

Any questions pertaining to obtaining the RBT certification for staff should be directed to the BACB via the steps described in this link:

https://www.bacb.com/contact-us/

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http://maryland.beaconhealthoptions.com/provider/prv_alerts.html.

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