

TO: Home Based Therapeutic Services (HBTS) and Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA)

providers

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SUBJECT: HBTS/ABA Certification Standards addendum

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The Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) is dedicated to ensuring that Medicaid members who receive HBTS/ABA services receive timely and high-quality services and supports. As you are aware there are circumstances where a provider agency has difficulty fully staffing the services that are identified in a child/youth's treatment plan resulting in the identified services not being fully delivered. As a result of this, EOHHS is issuing the following guidance as an addendum to the *State of Rhode Island Executive Office of Health and Human Services Certification Standards for Providers of Home-Based Therapeutic Services (inclusive of ABA)* issued July 2016, effective immediately.

- 1. Members receiving HBTS/ABA services can utilize more than one (1) provider agency to obtain necessary services. The Member and their family shall designate one (1) agency as responsible for case management services to coordinate implementation of the child/youth's treatment plan. This arrangement shall be initiated by the Member and the initial HBTS/ABA provider agency upon the determination that additional resources are needed to fully deliver the services identified in the child/youth's treatment plan. Alternatively, in cases requiring more than one (1) provider agency, the EOHHS suggests the use of Cedar Family Centers to assist with care coordination, if needed.
- 2. HBTS/ABA provider agencies shall coordinate care as well as the billing of services delivered to ensure proper reimbursement to each agency involved. The primary agency will bill for services as usual. The secondary agency will be required to add an **XP modifier** to the codes (see below grid) allowable to be billed by a secondary HBTS/ABA provider agency.

If there are any questions regarding this addendum, please feel free to contact Jason Lyon at <u>Jason.Lyon@ohhs.ri.gov</u> or 401-462-7405.

Thank you.

National Procedure Code	National Modifier	National Modifier for Secondary Provider	National Procedure Code Description	Units of Service	Max Units/ day	Rate
			Home Based Therapy – Specialized Treatment/Treatment			
T1024		XP	Support	30 min unit	20	\$ 17.50
T1016		XP	Treatment Coordination	15 min unit	16	\$ 8.75
H0046		XP	Lead Therapy	30 min unit	12	\$ 17.50
H0046	НО	XP	Clinical Supervision/Home Based or Treatment Support Worker – Masters Level Clinician	30 min unit	12	\$ 40.00
H0046	HP	XP	Clinical Supervision/Home Based or Treatment Support Worker – Doctoral Level Clinician	30 min unit	12	\$ 50.00
S9446		XP	Patient education - Social Skills Group	30 min unit	6	\$ 10.45