

Information for In-Home Behavioral Services
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This notice is sent on behalf of all the MCEs.

After hearing from providers and experts, providers will NOT be required to apply to the MCEs for “waivers” of the ABA credentialing requirements. This communication is intended to clarify the education and training requirements for staff delivering IHBS consistent with the performance specifications for this service.

For Behavior Management Therapy, staff must be master’s-level clinicians and meet any one of the following criteria:

EITHER:

1. Certified in Applied Behavioral Analysis; OR
2. Enrolled in an ABA training program and eligible for certification within nine months OR
3. A clinical Psychologist with experience performing functional behavioral assessments and implementing and evaluating intervention strategies; OR
4. A master’s-level mental health clinician working under the supervision of an ABA-Certified clinician

For Behavior Management Monitoring:

- Supervision by a clinician meeting one of the above criteria

Providers are responsible for maintaining documentation that each of their staff meets the required credentialing criteria. MCEs may request that documentation.

Waivers will only be necessary to meet cultural and linguistic needs in the event that staff does not meet the above stated hiring criteria.

Thank you for working with us to create a child behavioral health system of which we will all be very proud.

If you have any questions, please e-mail MBHPCBHI@valueoptions.com.

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