



PROVIDER ALERT

Billing Medicaid For ABA Services

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This alert is to remind ABA provider groups of the Maryland Medicaid requirement for billing ABA services. Maryland Medicaid **requires** that all claims be billed using the rendering provider's assigned NPI number, whether the services are rendered by an RBT, BCaBA, BCBA, BCBA-D or licensed psychologist.

If the NPI on a paid claim **does not match** the provider who actually rendered the service, then this *claim is subject to retraction*.

Furthermore, 97155/97155-GT (Direction of Technician/Remote Direction of Technician) by a BCBA, BCBA-D or licensed psychologist is only reimbursable when a claim has been submitted for an RBT rendering 97153 (ABA treatment) on the same date of service. All claims reimbursed for 97155/97155-GT must have a corresponding 97153 billed by an RBT, or the claim will be subject to retraction.

ABA provider groups are **strongly encouraged** to review their current billing practices to ensure they align with Maryland Medicaid regulations.

Should you believe that your provider group may be billing incorrectly, please contact us at abamarylandproviderrelations@beaconhealthoptions.com prior to submitting corrected claims. Please be prepared to work with Beacon Health Options' Provider Relations team to properly correct any billing errors.

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