

Autism Demonstration Tutors Participation Requirements

Education Requirements

1. Prior to providing Educational Interventions For Autism Spectrum Disorders (EIA) services under the Demonstration, the tutor shall complete forty (40) hours of classroom training in ABA techniques in accordance with the BACB Guidelines for Responsible Conduct for Behavior Analysts (<http://www.bacb.com>); and
2. Have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours of college coursework in psychology, education, social work, behavioral sciences, human development or related fields and be currently enrolled in a course of study leading to an associate's or bachelor's degree by an accredited college or university; or
3. Have completed a minimum of 48 semester hours (or their equivalent) of college coursework in an accredited college or university; or
4. Have a High School diploma or GED equivalent and have completed 500 hours of employment providing ABA services as verified by the Autism Demonstration Corporate Services Provider (ACSP).

Criminal Background Check (CBC) Requirements

1. Shall include Federal Criminal, State Criminal, County Criminal, and Sex Offender reports for all locations where the tutor has resided or worked during the previous 10 years; and
2. Be completed prior to the tutor providing services to TRICARE beneficiaries.

Supervision Requirements

Tutors must receive no less than two hours supervision per month from the supervisor, in accordance with the BACB Guidelines for Responsible Conduct for Behavior Analysts.

Reimbursement

EIA services provided directly by a tutor will be invoiced using HCPCS code "H2019, Therapeutic behavioral services, per 15 minutes." Reimbursement of claims provided by the tutor will be the lesser of the CHAMPUS Maximum Allowable Charge (CMAC); or the contracted rate; or the billed charges.

Exclusions

TRICARE will not cost-share for:

1. The training of tutors as specified in TRICARE Operations Manual (TOM) Chapter 20, Section 10, paragraph 5.3.1.; or
2. More than one Enhanced Access to Autism Services Demonstration service provided to the same beneficiary during the same time period, such as the supervision of the tutor.

Reference

TRICARE Operations Manual Chapter 20, Section 10.

For more information about the autism demonstration, visit www.triwest.com/provider.



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