

BEHAVIORAL THERAPIES NEW PROVIDER PROCESS

Providers wishing to join Colorado Medicaid to provide behavioral therapies must follow the following process:

- I. Please visit our Provider enrollment page and begin your application. If you are a brand new provider to Colorado Medicaid, please take the short provider enrollment training to familiarize yourself with the process. You are required to have an NPI number for enrollment.

<https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/provider-enrollment>

- II. Providers must complete a Non-Physician Group (25) application and provide all necessary disclosure information. If you are already a waiver provider or another Medicaid provider type, you will need to submit the same information.

Providers will need to submit their ATN number or tracking number after they complete the application to epsdt@state.co.us. This will allow Colorado Medicaid to track the application.

- III. All providers applying to provide behavioral therapies under rendering provider type 24 application must meet the following standards:

A. Lead/Senior Therapists shall meet one of the following requirements:

1. Have a doctoral degree with a specialty in psychiatry, medicine or clinical psychology and be actively licensed by the state board of examiners. Have completed 400 hours of training and/or have direct supervised experience in behavioral therapies that are consistent with best practice and research on effectiveness for people with autism or other developmental disabilities.
2. Have a doctoral degree with a specialty in psychiatry, medicine or clinical psychology and be actively licensed by the state board of examiners. Have completed 400 hours of training and/or have direct supervised experience in behavioral therapies that are consistent with best practice and research on effectiveness for people with autism or other developmental disabilities.
3. Have a doctoral degree in one of the behavioral or health sciences and have completed 800 hours of specific training and/or experience in behavioral therapies that are consistent with best practice and research on effectiveness for people with autism or other developmental disabilities.
4. Have a Master's degree, or higher, in behavioral sciences and be nationally certified as a "Board Certified Behavior Analyst" or certified Relationship Development Intervention (RDI) consultant or certified by a similar nationally recognized organization.
5. Have a Master's degree or higher in one of the behavior or health sciences and certification as a School Psychologist; or licensed teacher with an endorsement of special education or early childhood special education; or licensed psychotherapy provider; or credentialed as a related services provider (Physical Therapist, Occupational Therapist, or Speech Therapist) and have completed 1,000 hours of direct supervised training or experience in behavioral therapies that are consistent with best practice and research on effectiveness for people with autism or other developmental disabilities.

6. The Lead/Senior Therapist shall assess the child and develop the treatment plan based on the child's individual needs. The Lead Therapist shall prescribe the amount, scope and duration of the therapy, make treatment adjustments and be responsible for treatment outcomes. The Lead Therapist shall be required to provide a written progress report for the case manager and the family every six months.
 7. The Lead/Senior therapist shall provide ongoing supervision and implementation of the treatment plan. This includes the supervision of line staff, training of the families and conducting team meetings with the family, line staff and other providers to review the child's progress. The senior therapist shall provide documentation of the location of the agency that is providing services, the time spent and the team members who participated in the delivery of services.
- B. Tech level staff shall meet all of the following requirements:
1. Be at least 18 years of age
 2. Have graduated from high school or earned a high school equivalency degree.
 3. Have or acquire 20 hours or more of direct supervised experience billable under the direction of a Lead or a Senior Therapist, in the use of behavioral therapies that are consistent with best practice and research on effectiveness for people with autism or other developmental disabilities.
 4. Demonstrate understanding of the services and outcomes for children with Autism as attested to by the Lead Therapist or Senior Therapist.
 5. Have cleared the provider's background check at the time he/she is hired.
- C. The line staff shall be trained directly by the lead and/or senior therapist. The senior therapist is responsible for the line staff supervision and shall work with the line staff to implement the treatment plan. All services provided by the line staff shall be under the direction of the senior therapist and shall be documented.
- D. All documentation, certification and degrees will be provided with the application and a copy sent to <mailto:epsdt@state.co.us>
- IV. After the application process, any new provider, or any provider who is not already set up with eQHealth, will need to visit <http://www.coloradopar.com/> to set up access to the PAR Portal. This form is located at <http://co.eqhs.org/Portals/2/Request%20for%20eQSuite%C2%AE%20Access.pdf>
- Please note that PARs must be submitted by the billing provider; and,
 - Pricing is not required for PAR submission.

Any questions regarding this process can be sent to epsdt@state.co.us