



NETWORK *Notification*

Notice Date: November 19, 2021
To: Ohio Medicaid & MyCare Behavioral Health Providers
From: CareSource
Subject: ABA Claims Paying at Reduced Rate

Summary

On July 15, 2021 CareSource issued a [network notification](#) to Ohio providers announcing that non-participating providers will no longer receive the full reimbursement rate for the appropriate fee schedule, with the exception of emergent care, if there is not a dually executed written agreement, such as a single case agreement (SCA) with CareSource. Non-participating providers now receive 60% of the reimbursement rate for the appropriate fee schedule effective Aug. 15, 2021.

Claims from non-participating Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) providers are currently adjudicating at 60% of the CareSource ABA fee scheduled reimbursement rate.

CareSource is taking the following steps to rectify this issue:

- Temporarily removing ABA procedure codes from the 60% reimbursement non-participating logic, effective October 11, 2021
- All claims that were adjudicated at 60% of the expected payment will be reprocessed at 100% of the expected payment and providers will receive payment through a mass claims adjustment – **no further action is required on part of providers**. Impacted providers will be notified by letter individually once the mass claims adjustment is completed

Additionally, CareSource is attempting to transition non-participating ABA providers who regularly and routinely provide ABA services to CareSource members to participating ABA providers. CareSource is working with Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) to clarify expectations for the provision of ODM Medicaid ID numbers. Please see this [network notification](#) for more information.

CareSource will be publishing further guidance on expectations for ABA providers to obtain ODM Medicaid ID numbers and to become a participating provider with CareSource. With this guidance, CareSource will also intend for ABA services to be rendered to members by in-network providers and will be returning the temporarily removed ABA procedure codes to the logic for 60% of the reimbursement rate for non-participating providers who do not have a dually executed written agreement, such as a SCA.

Impact

Providers who render ABA services and are non-participating are now being paid at 60% of the expected reimbursement rate.

Questions?

For questions, please contact Provider Services at **1-800-488-0134** (Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)

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