

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 SB3315

Introduced 2/7/2024, by Sen. Bill Cunningham

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

305 ILCS 5/5-30.11

Amends the Medical Assistance Article of the Illinois Public Aid Code. In provisions concerning the treatment of autism spectrum disorder through applied behavior analysis, provides that coverage of comprehensive applied behavior analysis and focused applied behavior analysis shall be based on medical necessity (rather than such coverage may be limited to age ranges based on evidence-based best practices). Provides that registered behavior technicians shall not be required to enroll in the medical assistance program as providers of applied behavior analysis services but shall be considered enrolled through their supervising staff qualified to perform applied behavior analysis. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by changing Section 5-30.11 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-30.11)

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Sec. 5-30.11. Treatment of autism spectrum disorder. Treatment of autism spectrum disorder through applied behavior analysis shall be covered under the medical assistance program under this Article for children with a diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder when (1) ordered by a physician licensed to practice medicine in all its branches or a psychologist licensed by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation and (2) evaluated by a behavior analyst as recognized by the Department or licensed by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to practice applied behavior analysis in this State. Coverage of comprehensive applied behavior analysis and focused applied behavior analysis shall be based on medical necessity. Such coverage may be limited to age ranges based on evidence-based best practices. Appropriate State plan amendments as well as rules regarding provision of services and providers will be submitted by September 1, 2019. Pursuant to the flexibilities

- 1 allowed by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid
- 2 Services to Illinois under the Medical Assistance Program, the
- 3 Department shall enroll and reimburse qualified staff to
- 4 perform applied behavior analysis services in advance of
- 5 Illinois licensure activities performed by the Department of
- 6 Financial and Professional Regulation. Registered behavior
- 7 technicians shall not be required to enroll but shall be
- 8 considered enrolled through their supervising staff qualified
- 9 to perform applied behavior analysis. These services shall be
- 10 covered if they are provided in a home or community setting or
- in an office-based setting. The Department may conduct annual
- on-site reviews of the services authorized under this Section.
- 13 Provider enrollment shall occur no later than September 1,
- 14 2023.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 102-558, eff. 8-20-21; 102-953, eff. 5-27-22;
- 16 103-102, eff. 7-1-23.)
- 17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 18 becoming law.