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UPDATE: Public Meeting and Timelines for Proposed Behavior Analysis Changes

The Agency has hosted several public meetings to introduce proposed changes to Medicaid-covered behavior analysis services. These changes are being proposed to ensure children receive the right service, at the right time, and by the right provider. It is of chief importance to the Agency that children who need behavior analysis services receive the highest quality of care and continue to receive services in a timely manner.

Based on public input to date, we are modifying the proposed changes and the schedule for implementation.

- No changes to behavior analysis reimbursement rates will occur during 2019.
- The Agency will delay the requirement that behavior analysis provider groups show proof of their health care clinic licensure, as a condition of Medicaid enrollment, until July 1, 2020.
- The Agency will implement a multidisciplinary team (MDT) model for authorizing behavior analysis services, **as a pilot only**, effective July 1, 2019. The MDT model will be piloted in Regions 4 and 7 and the Agency will determine its effectiveness before expanding into other regions. We will continue to explore other process improvements with providers, to help expedite the review process, that can be implemented in other parts of the state in the interim. Counties in Regions 4 and 7 include: Baker, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, St. Johns, Volusia, Brevard, Orange, Osceola and Seminole.
- The Agency will implement electronic visit verification (EVV) for behavioral analysis services, **as a pilot only**, effective September 1, 2019. Electronic visit verification will be piloted in Regions 9, 10, and 11 and will determine its effectiveness before expanding into other regions. Counties in Regions 9, 10, and 11 include: Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, Palm Beach, St. Lucie, Broward, Miami-Dade, and Monroe.

We are also changing the format of the public meetings scheduled to be held in Miami, Fort Lauderdale, and Pensacola. Despite moving the public meetings to larger venues, the spaces have not been able to accommodate the volume of interested parties. In order **to ensure that everyone who wants to participate can do so, we are changing to a webinar format.**

The public meetings previously announced will be held via webinar instead of in the locations previously announced. Each webinar will present the same information. Participants can submit questions and comments via a chat feature, and Agency leaders will answer as many questions and comments as possible. All submitted comments will be collected and considered. To register for a

webinar, please select a link below. Each webinar can accommodate 1,000 participants. If demand exceeds the available slots, we will schedule more webinars.

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Thursday, April 25, 2019	10:30 - 11:30 AM EDT	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3797389204661174027
Friday, April 26, 2019	10:30 - 11:30 AM EDT	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/9099104531424990219
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