

Medical Policy Update Effective January 1, 2021

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The following policy is effective January 1, 2021 and will be available to view on December 1, 2020. Hard copies of the policy are available upon request.

The **Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA)** medical/behavioral health policy has been updated as a stand-alone behavioral health/medical policy that includes the indications, and criteria for treatment for Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) using applied behavioral analysis (ABA). The policy indicates that a Member must be diagnosed with ASD per DSM-5 criteria to qualify for ABA treatment. The policy outlines the documentation requirements for prior authorization. It addresses the importance that ASD treatments, include a multidisciplinary treatment approach, as the standard of care. Exclusions are listed in the policy including, but not limited to complementary, and alternative medicine.

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