
CHAPTER 15: PSYCHOLOGICAL BEHAVIORAL SERVICES

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COVERED SERVICES

Psychological services are for obtaining, integrating, and interpreting information about child behavior, and child and family conditions related to learning, mental health, and development. These services include:

- Psychological assessment/evaluations
- Psychological testing
- Family psychotherapy (with the patient present)
- Individual psychotherapy

Psychological Evaluation

The psychological evaluation includes a battery of tests, interviews, and behavioral evaluations that appraise cognitive, motor, sensory, emotional, social, and behavioral functioning and self-concept. Providers performing evaluations for this population should follow the best practice guidelines offered through the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, the American Academy of Neurology and Child Neurology Society and Academy of Pediatrics. Providers should include standardized, reliable, and valid psychological testing that is consistent with best practice standards for the population with pervasive developmental disorders.

NOTE: Please refer to the EPSDT PBS fee schedule located on the Louisiana Medicaid website (see Appendix A for website) for currently covered procedure codes and maximum fees reimbursed by Medicaid.