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PROVIDER REQUIREMENTS

In order to participate as an applied behavior analysis (ABA) service provider in the Medicaid Program, a provider must:

- Be a Louisiana licensed psychologist and/or medical psychologist that:
 - Is licensed by the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists;
 - Is covered by professional liability insurance to limits of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 aggregate;
 - Has no sanctions or disciplinary actions on their Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologist; and
 - Complete a criminal background check.

- Be a licensed behavior analyst that:
 - Is licensed by the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board;
 - Is covered by professional liability insurance to limits of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 aggregate; Has no sanctions or disciplinary actions on their Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA®) or Board Certified Behavior Analyst – Doctoral (BCBA-D) certification and/or state licensure; and
 - Complete a criminal background check.

Para-professionals Requirements

- Be a certified assistant behavior analyst that renders ABA-based therapy services that:
 - Is certified by the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board;
 - Works under the supervision of a licensed behavior analyst with supervisory relationship documented in writing; and
 - Has no sanctions or disciplinary actions, if state-certified or board-certified by the BACB®; and
 - Complete a criminal background check; or

- Be a registered line technician that renders ABA-based therapy services that:
 - Is registered by the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board; works under the supervision of a licensed behavior analyst with supervisory relationship documented in writing; and
 - Complete a criminal background check.

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The licensed professional (licensed psychologist, licensed medical psychologist or behavior analyst), certified assistant behavior analyst, or registered line technician shall not have any Medicare/Medicaid sanctions, or be excluded from participating in federally funded programs (i.e., Office of Inspector General’s list of excluded individuals/entities (OIG-LEIE), system for award management (SAM) listing and state Medicaid sanctions listings).

Criminal Background Checks

The contracted provider must complete criminal background checks to include federal criminal, state criminal, parish criminal, and sex offender reports for the state and parish of employment and residence.

Criminal background checks must be conducted according to the following schedule:

	Initially	Frequency
Licensed behavior analyst	Enrollment application (current within a year prior to initial Medicaid application) or at time of hire	Update performed at least every five years thereafter
Certified assistant behavior analyst	At time of hire	
Registered line technician	At time of hire	

NOTE: Evidence of background checks must be provided by the contracted provider.

Registered Line Technicians

Upon enrollment and on a quarterly basis thereafter, the contracted provider shall submit to the MCO a list of Registered Line Techs (RLTs). The MCO is responsible for ensuring the contracted provider is in compliance with the requirements of the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board.