

## EPSDT Behavioral Therapy Services Fact Sheet

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Services Offered	The Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) program allows the Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) to provide medically necessary Behavioral Therapy to eligible children under the age of 21.  EPSDT Behavioral Therapy is defined as behavior modification strategies that employ systematic interventions in the individual's home. Behavioral Therapy includes, but is not limited to Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA). Services include:  • Behavioral training to increase adaptive functioning and communication skills  • Family training in behavioral modification methods  • Documentation and analysis of quantifiable behavioral data related to treatment objectives  • Clinical service direction and involvement in the home environment  • Clinical consultation with other agencies and schools  • Coordination of other clinical services to increase adaptive behavior and communication skills  The Behavioral Therapy benefit is defined in the Behavioral Therapy Program Chapter of the EPSDT Supplement available on the DMAS website at the following link: https://www.virginiamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/wps/portal/ProviderManuals
Who is Eligible?	Current Medicaid/FAMIS Plus and FAMIS enrolled children (both FFS and MCO enrolled) under the age of 21
Service Provider Requirements and Service Limitations	Providers must be enrolled with the DMAS contracted Behavioral Health Services Administrator (BHSA), Magellan of Virginia.
How to Access Services	Caregivers may contact Magellan at (800)424-4536 for assistance locating a service provider.  The service provider conducts a clinical assessment and develops an Assessment and Treatment Plan Summary which must be signed by the child's primary provider (physician, physician assistant or nurse practitioner).  The service provider sends required documents to Magellan for authorization of services and approval of reimbursement (for both Medicaid FFS and MCO enrolled individuals)
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