

Purpose/Directions: Develop Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) training guidelines to support professional learning for case managers and supports coordinators working in the Michigan public mental health system.

Introduction: Michigan Medicaid funds, which are paid on a capitated basis per Medicaid-eligible individual, are contracted through Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHPs), three of which are single-county PIHPs and seven of which are regional entities. Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Administration (BHDDA) services and supports in Michigan are delivered through county-based community mental health services programs (CMHSPs). Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), along with these 46 regional CMHSPs and 10 PIHPs, contracts public funds for mental health, substance abuse prevention and treatment, and developmental disability services. Substance abuse services are purchased through the 10 PIHPs and delivered through local Recovery Oriented Systems of Care.



A. Autism Spectrum Disorder

Recommended training content, competencies, and resources

A-1	Describe ASD as a life-long neurological developmental disability
A-2	Discuss talking to families about ASD (1) ; talking to families about ASD (2)
A-3	Discuss ASD medical diagnosis vs. school eligibility for students with ASD in Michigan
A-4	Describe early indicators or signs of ASD (1) ; early indicators or signs of ASD (2)
A-5	Describe common characteristics of ASD
A-6	Discuss common myths about ASD
A-7	Describe ASD and co-occurring conditions
A-8	Describe evidence-based practices and interventions related to ASD
A-9	Identify tips to working with individuals with ASD
A-10	Discuss prevalence of ASD , and locate CDC resources/reports
A-11	Identify the MI ASD state plan

B. Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)

Recommended training content, competencies, and resources

B-1	Describe the Michigan Medicaid ABA eligibility process
B-2	Outline the Comprehensive Diagnostic Evaluation components required by Michigan Medicaid (pg.151-152)
B-3	Describe the roles and responsibilities of support and service coordination (<i>17.3.K. Support and Service Coordination</i>), including ABA services required assessments, reviews, eligibility determinations, etc.
B-4	Describe/explain your understanding of ABA (family time commitment, family as behavioral change agents, potential for increase in problem behaviors, etc.)
B-5	Discuss the importance of communication and coordination with ABA providers (describing Medicaid population, understanding individualized plans, family dynamics, etc.)
B-6	Describe and select appropriate goals, service encounters, and authorizations
B-7	Discuss coordination of entitlement programs , including arranging schedules to enhance school coordination and ABA services
B-8	Identify Michigan Medicaid ABA qualified providers
B-9	Locate and review Mental Health Code and BTPRC information
B-10	Identify the Michigan Medicaid ABA Provider Directory

C. Michigan Medicaid

Recommended training content, competencies, and resources

C-1	Medicaid Provider Manual , Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Chapter, Section 18 regarding Behavioral Health Treatment
C-2	Types of insurance (Medicaid, Private, Self-funded, Fully-funded, CSHCS)
C-3	Self-Determination
C-4	Person Centered Planning (PCP)
C-5	Transportation
C-6	Discuss services covered under Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, Treatment (EPSDT), including ABA through Medicaid ToolKit
C-7	Describe the array of specialty waiver services (1) provided by the public mental health system (2)
C-8	Locate and reference the MDHHS/CMHSP Contract

Michigan ASD Resources

ASD statewide programs/initiatives	Description
Autism Alliance of Michigan (AAoM) https://autismallianceofmichigan.org/	AAoM's mission is to lead collaborative efforts across the state that will improve the quality of life for individuals with autism through education, access to comprehensive services, community awareness, inclusion efforts, and coordinated advocacy.
Autism Society of Michigan (ASM) https://www.autism-mi.org/	ASM is committed to empowering individuals with autism and their families by offering educational resources and materials, workshops, seminars and other services. ASM advocates that "Making Human Connections" in a supportive, integrated community is a right of all persons.
Behavior Analysis Association of Michigan (BAAM) and professional behavior analysts special interest group http://www.baam.emich.edu/autism.html	BAAM has been organized to support and promote scientific research on the basic principles of behavior and the extension of those principles to create demonstrably effective and humane outcome-based therapies with the primary goal of establishing and enhancing functional independent living skills.
Statewide Autism Resources and Training (START) Project http://www.gvsu.edu/autismcenter/	START Project is funded by the Michigan Department of Education, Office of Special Education to provide evidence-based training, technical assistance, and resources to educators in Michigan who serve students with Autism Spectrum Disorder.
Michigan Autism Council www.michigan.gov/autism	The Michigan Autism Council was created through an executive order in 2012. The Council is an advisory board to review, adopt and implement the Michigan Autism Spectrum Disorder State Plan.
Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education (MAASE), ASD Communities of Practice http://www.maase.org/	A group of administrators and other professionals who are committed to the implementation and continuous improvement of quality education programs and services for students with Autism Spectrum Disorders.
Michigan Department of Civil Rights (MDCR), Relentless Tour with Anthony Ianni http://relentlesstour.com/	Anthony earned his Bachelor's Degree from Michigan State University in Sociology and is the first known athlete with autism to play Big 10 basketball. He is employed by the Michigan Department of Civil Rights (MDCR) and travels across the state and country sharing his story to eradicate bullying.
Autism Internet Modules (AIM) www.autisminternetmodules.org	The Autism Internet Modules site contains an abundance of free modules on a variety of topics related to autism. Modules contain case studies, videos, assessments, etc.
Autism Speaks http://www.autismspeaks.org	Autism Speaks' mission is to promote solutions across the spectrum and throughout the lifespan for individuals with autism.