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Dear Provider:

Behavioral Health Treatment (BHT) services include Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) as described in Section 18.12 of the Behavioral Health and Intellectual and Developmental Disability Supports and Services chapter of the Medicaid Provider Manual, as follows:

- *BHT services are highly specialized services that require specific qualified providers who are available within Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP)/Community Mental Health Services Program (CMHSP) provider networks and have extensive experience providing specialty mental health and behavioral health services.*

BHT including ABA must be provided by individuals meeting the requirements for qualifications outlined in Section 18.12 of the Behavioral Health and Developmental Disability Supports and Services chapter of the Medicaid Provider Manual, as follows:

<u>Board Certified Behavior Analyst – Doctoral (BCBA-D/LBA), and Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA/LBA)</u>

- *Certification as a BCBA through the Behavior Analyst Certification Board (BACB). Licensed by the Michigan Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA).*
- *Services Provided: Behavioral assessment, behavioral interventions, and behavioral observation and direction.*

<u>Licensed Psychologist (LP or LLP):</u>

- *Must be licensed as a BCBA and LBA by September 30, 2025.*
- *Services Provided: Behavioral assessment, behavioral interventions, and behavioral observation and direction.*

Qualified Behavioral Health Professional (QBHP):

- *Must be licensed as a BCBA and LBA by September 30, 2025.*
- *Services Provided: Behavioral assessment, behavioral interventions, and behavioral observation and direction.*

Behavior Technician or Registered Behavior Technician (RBT):

- *License or certification is not required.*
- *Services provided: Behavioral Intervention*

Prior extensions to this requirement, described in MSA 15-59 and in MSA 19-21, allowed for time for individuals to take the required steps necessary to complete the board certification and licensing process. No further extensions will be considered. For additional information about the steps necessary to assure continued participation as Medicaid BHT Service Provider, please find guidance at Behavior Analyst Certification Boards https://www.bacb.com.

Questions regarding the policy or requirements can be directed to luchiesm@michigan.gov.

An electronic copy of this letter is available at www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders >> Policy, Letters & Forms.

Sincerely,

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