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Global Commitment Register

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GCR 23-120 PROPOSED

Update to ABA Payment Methodology Language

Policy Summary:

The Vermont Medicaid program proposes to add language in the Vermont Medicaid Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Supplement, specific to funding methodologies (Section 2, page 5).

VT Medicaid generally pays for ABA services using two separate funding methodologies depending on the beneficiary's insurance status; Case Rate for individuals with Medicaid as their sole insurance, and fee-for-service for individuals who have other insurance coverage in addition to Medicaid. This additional language ensures that Vermont Medicaid retains the right to require a provider to file claims using an alternative payment methodology as part of a Corrective Action Plan if a provider fails to follow billing requirements for originally assigned methodology.

Effective Date:

November 1, 2023

Authority/Legal Basis:

Medicaid State Plan

This change is being done through Global Commitment to Health waiver authority, where DVHA may establish rates with providers on an individual or class basis without regard to the rates currently set forth in the approved State Plan.

<u>Global Commitment to Health Waiver</u>: Waiver authority #5 [Section 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30)]; Special Term and Condition #6.8.

Population Affected: All Medicaid

Fiscal Impact: This change is expected to be budget neutral.

Public Comment Period: October 6, 2023 – November 6, 2023



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Additional Information:

The draft Global Commitment Amended State Plan page provides additional details on the proposed changes; copies of the draft page can be requested from local Department for Children and Families (DCF) offices or from DVHA at (802) 355-8843, or can be found on <u>Agency of Human Services website</u>.

