Introduction

• Autism Insurance Resource Center
• Insurance Coverage for Telehealth
• Provider Considerations
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• Resources
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Context (per Facebook)

March 5

TEXAS CORONAVIRUS PREVENTION
Wash your hands like you just got done slicing jalapeños for a batch of nachos and you need to take your contacts out.

(That's like 20 seconds of scrubbing, y'all.)

ROUND ROCK TEXAS

March 22

THEY SAID A MASK AND GLOVES WERE ENOUGH TO GO TO THE GROCERY STORE

THEY LIED, EVERYBODY ELSE HAD CLOTHES ON
A Resource for Consumers, Providers, Employers, and Educators on Issues Related to Medical Insurance for Autism Treatment

- Information and technical assistance by phone/e-mail
- Assistance with issues related to accessing coverage for treatment, including MassHealth questions and issues.
- Access to documents including Legislation, FAQ’s, Agency Bulletins, etc.
- Webinars and Trainings on Insurance Laws and Related Topics
Who We Help

• **Families** – information, technical assistance, support applying for MassHealth, resources, troubleshooting.

• **Providers** – information, technical assistance, specialized trainings.

• **Clinicians** – information, technical assistance, focused trainings

• **State Agencies, Regulators, Legislators** – information, feedback, aggregate data
• Coverage being adopted broadly and rapidly
• Mandated in certain states, encouraged in others
• Barriers (technology, HIPPA, etc.) relaxed or mitigated
Provider Considerations

• Infrastructure
• Adaptations or modifications of current programs
• Authorization modifications
• Coding, billing
• Malpractice
• Privacy
Family Considerations

- Environment
- Safety
- Current challenges/needs
- Privacy
Resources

• **AIRC COVID 19- Fact Sheet**

• **National Association of Social Workers (NASW), Massachusetts Chapter, Considerations for Telemental Health**

• **Behavior Analyst Advocacy Network (BAAN) Coronavirus Resources for ABA Providers and Families**

• **Council of Autism Service Providers (CASP) – Telehealth and Crisis Management Guidelines**
Q&A

“Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better.” — Maya Angelou
Upcoming

• **ABA Therapy Billing and Insurance Services** - Publishing Updated Guide (national) to Telehealth Coverage, expected today. (earlier version linked in AIRC COVID-19 Fact Sheet
  – [https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=aba%20therapy%20billing%20and%20insurance%20help&epa=SEARCH_BOX](https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=aba%20therapy%20billing%20and%20insurance%20help&epa=SEARCH_BOX)

• **Association of Professional Behavior Analysts (APBA)**
  Webinar - Telepractice of ABA during the Pandemic: Working with Health Plans (March 25 and March 28)

• **Autism Insurance Resource Center (AIRC)**
  Webinar – COVID-19 and Telehealth (March 31) at 4:00 EST with Kristen Koba-Burt, and Jenna Higgins, [www.massairc.org](http://www.massairc.org)
“THAT’S ODD: MY FACEBOOK FRIENDS WHO WERE CONSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARS JUST A MONTH AGO ARE NOW INFECTIOUS DISEASE EXPERTS...."
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