

Name of Meeting: Q4 Managed Care Plan MOU Meeting

Location: Zoom

Date: Wednesday December 18, 2024

Facilitator: Dr. Claire Lazaro VMRC Clinical Director



Meeting Details

Attendees: **VMRC:** Dr. Claire Lazaro, VMRC Clinical Director; Lindsay Wiernicki, Nurse Consultant; Carmela Beringuela, Nurse Consultant; Jenna Bielby, Program Manager; Melissa Claypool, Coordinator of Autism Services; Misty Igarta, Program Manager
Anthem: Janet Paine, Director of County Account Management
Health Net: Lu Knott, Service Coordination Team
HPSJ: Stephanie Acevedo-Moran, Behavioral Health Treatment Clinical Manager; Kim Thompson, Care Manager Behavioral Health Treatment

Agenda & Notes

	Topic & Intended Outcome	Lead / Facilitator
1	Introductions	
2	<p>Transition to Insurance Funded ABA – VMRC is the education agency and has the obligation to utilize generic resource such as Insurance Plans including Managed Care Medi-Cal Plans. There will be coordination of services. This includes individuals under 3 years old. Insurance-funded includes Managed Care Plan.</p> <p>Timeline for transition of care: when there is a child in Early Start already receiving services, what is the timeline for them to transition to Insurance funded ABA? → Goal is to make a seamless transition. There are 20 VMRC ESAIP vendors, but not all of them are contracted with MCPs. VMRC continues the funding until there is a start date to an insurance-funded ABA therapy. Families share the information if ABA will be funded by Insurance. The process is usually initiated by the ABA vendor or the family. The child stays in the IFSP and services in place even during the transition process.</p> <p>HPSJ can retro-date the service when the transition is happening. HPSJ has to be notified within 30 days when there is a need to do back-dating.</p> <p>HPSJ needs the ABA referral, doesn't have to be a diagnostic evaluation, just referral by a PsyD or MD that ABA is needed. They also need a copy of the IFSP. They also need a POS agreement as to what services – related to ABA, parent training or social skills - are being received under Early Start and continue that for a couple of months until the provider recommends a new plan. And an updated ABA Progress Report.</p> <p>VMRC Provides a flat rate in terms of services. The only thing in the IFSP is the 1:1 hours. HPSJ will give</p>	Cindy Jimenez & Melissa Claypool

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	the ABA vendor option to conduct a FBA or to continue the current plan for a couple of months and then to do FBA. The abrupt end would only happen when a child turns 3 years old.	
3	Follow up: Car Seat Safety as goal in ABA therapy: HPSJ: They advocate for car seat safety as a goal in ABA because that is part of community safety. HealthNet and Anthem – will verify with their teams and get back to the group.	Dr. Lazaro
4	Next Meeting: March 19, 2025 , at 2-2:45 pm	Via Zoom

Action Items	Responsible	Due Date
Clarification of car seat safety as goal in ABA therapy	Janet (Anthem) and Lu & Perry (HealthNet)	When info has been acquired, will email to VMRC.