



## SoonerSelect Medical Contracted Entity (CE) Change of Service Provision Summary

The SoonerSelect Medical Contract at Section 1.7: Covered Benefits and Section 1.8: Medical Management states that medical contracted entities (CEs) may not impose prior authorization guidelines/criteria or utilization management practices that are more restrictive than OHCA without OHCA prior approval.

On March 13, 2026, Aetna Better Health of Oklahoma (ABHOK) submitted a formal request to OHCA for review and approval to change service provisions.

OHCA subject matter experts (SMEs) reviewed the requests, evaluating them in comparison to OHCA historical processes and practices, standard business practice in other markets, and available data to determine whether to approve the requests.

OHCA decisions are noted in the table below:

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<b>Increase Required Case Supervision for Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) Services</b>				
For ABA services, increase case supervision to 10% of direct treatment hours. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1-2 hours of case supervision for every 10 hours of direct treatment</li> <li>If direct treatment totals less than 10 hours per week, 2 hours of supervision is required</li> </ul>	Increase in required case supervision of ABA services from 5% of direct treatment hours to 10%.	ABHOK reports this change is expected to improve the quality of care through enhanced clinical oversight, including closer monitoring of treatment plans and more timely adjustments to care. Increased supervision supports better member outcomes by reducing treatment drift, promoting skill acquisition, and enabling greater family engagement through expanded caregiver training and collaboration.	This change is consistent with Council of Autism Service Providers (CASP) guidelines and is expected to elevate clinical standards, enhance compliance, and support professional development by allowing for increased feedback and coaching. Overall, it aligns with nationally recognized standards of care and maintains consistency with the other CEs.	Approved

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		Cost and System Impact: While this change includes increased billing associated with additional supervision hours, these costs are anticipated to be offset by reduced waste, improved treatment efficiency, and long-term savings resulting from better outcomes and decreased regression.		