

COVENTRY Health Care

News and Announcements

Effective January 1, 2012, we will expand coverage for Autism Spectrum Disorder as required by a state mandate.* This law includes coverage for a specific set of services, applied behavior analysis (ABA). Under the terms of the law, ABA must be provided or supervised by a board certified behavior analyst who is licensed by the Board of Medicine. At this time, the Attorney General has stated that the Virginia Board of Medicine does not have the authority to develop licensure criteria for ABA providers. Until the General Assembly grants the Board of Medicine the authority to license ABA providers, and it subsequently institutes a licensure process, we are unable to develop a network of ABA providers who are able, under the terms of the mandate, to provide ABA services. Until network development is made possible, these ABA benefits will not be available under our plans.

*Self-insured group health plans are not required to comply with this state mandate, but they may choose to do so.

Coventry Health Care is a registered trade name of Southern Health Services, Inc. a Virginia HMO. PPO products are underwritten by Coventry Health and Life Insurance Company and administered by Southern Health Services, Inc. in Virginia. For more information, visit www.chcva.