

Autism Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) FAQ from training on 7/29/25

- Q1.** For immunization records can there be a statement that says they are current on vaccinations, or do we need to provide a record?
- A1.** A statement will be adequate on the plan of care that the immunization card was reviewed.
- Q2.** For one service a day does that mean ABA only and cannot do ABA and then respite?
- A2.** The services being provided on same day cannot be the same in nature, for example speech goals within ABA and attending speech services would not be allowed. Respite and ABA on same day are different in nature and would be allowed.
- Q3.** Will the training be available on the ND provider site? Particularly the assessment and care plans?
- A3.** Yes. The training will be placed on both the ND HHS website and the jointly hosted Acentra/ND HHS website. The jointly hosted website is <https://nddhs.acentra.com/> and the ND HHS website is [Autism Services | Health and Human Services North Dakota](#).
- Q4.** Is a BCaBA able to bill the 51 code independently?
- A4.** No. ND HHS requirements are one of the following can bill for 97151 code BCBA-D / BCBA registered behavior analyst or a Licensed clinical psychologist.
- Q5.** Can a child participate in an ABA session and speech session on the same date of service in the same agency but at different times by different providers? What about occupational therapy?
- A5.** If one agency provides both Rehabilitative Services and ABA service to an individual - only one service may be billed per day, unless the provider can justify that the services are unrelated/unduplicated and not completed by same employed staff.
- For assistance with billing questions please refer to: [Provider Guidelines, Manuals and Policies | Health and Human Services North Dakota](#)
- Q6.** Can the same facility provide Respite, or does it have to be a different agency?
- A6.** Currently, an agency providing respite can provide other services for the child. However,

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the person providing ABA cannot be the same person providing respite to the child.

Q7. From what was presented today, are these changes from what the standards were previously? Wondering as we have had some treatment plans come back recently with requirements that we have not needed before.

A7. Yes, these are changes to requirements as a result of the audit previously completed by Acentra. The provider ABA manual has been updated and is loaded to the ND HHS website at <https://www.hhs.nd.gov/sites/www/files/documents/autism-aba-service-policy-and-procedures.pdf>

Q8. Is the Provider billing on the same day referring to the agency provider or the individual therapist?

A8. An individual therapist does not complete billing this is completed by the provider agency. An individual therapist is known as the rendering provider.