Minimum Training Standards: Para-Professional ABA staff:

- 1) Registered Behavior Technicians (RBT) (Behavior Analysist Certification Board Certificate), www.BACB.com
- 2) Behavior Analysist Technicians (BAT)

The para-professional ABA staff must meet all of the following training guidelines PRIOR to assignment to work 1:1 or 1:2 with ASD diagnosed individuals. The service must be prior authorized through HealthSmart by the BCBA/BCaBA before payment will be considered. See Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Billing and Payment Policy (Version 2.0 Revised 7/2016) for specific information regarding billing and reimbursement requirements.

1) CPR and First – Aid

Employee will complete a First Aid Training and CPR. Acceptable CPR is the American Heart Association's 3 hour Basic Life Support CPR Training. Employee must be recertified every 2 years.

Documentation: Certificate must be located in the employee file

2) Criminal Background Check

Employee must pass a national background check. Employee will be checked against the Sex Offender Registry.

Documentation: Background Check document

3) High School Diploma (or equivalent)

Documentation: Copy of diploma or equivalent document must be located in the employee file

4) Tuberculosis Test

Employee must be tested with negative results.

Documentation: Documentation of the negative results from nurse must be filed in the employee file.

5) Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act (HIPAA)

Employee must complete HIPAA training within 6 weeks of start date.

Documentation: A certificate of completion must be obtained from the employer (BCBA/BCaBA). The certificate must be filed in the employee file

6) Mandated Reporting, Confidentiality, Ethics Training

Mandated Reporting: Employee will receive training in reporting mandates, reporting information and reporting resources. Information will be provided to employee on reporting all forms of abuse and procedures in reporting

Documentation: A certificate of completion must be located in the employee file Confidentiality: Employee will complete online training in confidentiality and ethics at http://www.cdc.gove/nchs/about/policy/confidentialitytraining/

Documentation: A certificate of completion must be filed in the employee file Ethics: Employee will complete BACB approved ethics training course on line at http://www.bacb.com/index.php?page=100344

Documentation: Certification of completion must be filed in the employee file

7) Behavior Skills Training in domains the para-professional will be working in:

Lecture based and hands on training = 6 hours

Pre/Post testing format – must receive a 80% passing score

Training to include specific prompting schedule, error corrections, reinforcement schedules and data collection.

Documentation: Test results and BCBA training summary must be filed in employee file

8) Direct Observation/Feedback

Direct Supervision on site – minimum 1 time per month, face to face observation and guidance of skills. Activity will meet the BACB Task list, the BACB Professional Disciplinary Standards, the BACB Guidelines for Responsible Conduct for Behavior Analysts, and the current BACB rules and regulations and the professional literature. Treatment Integrity – A data collection system designed to monitor progress of the employee

Documentation: Summary of each supervision time must be filed in the employee file. Treatment Integrity forms must be completed once time per month and must be filed in the employee file. Employee must be at 80% accuracy on treatment integrity at all times.