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Authorization Overview ABA Technical Assistance Training

Behavioral Health Department

Agenda

- RAFB requirements
- Requests for more hours/units
- 2:1 Staffing
- Care Coordination at the school

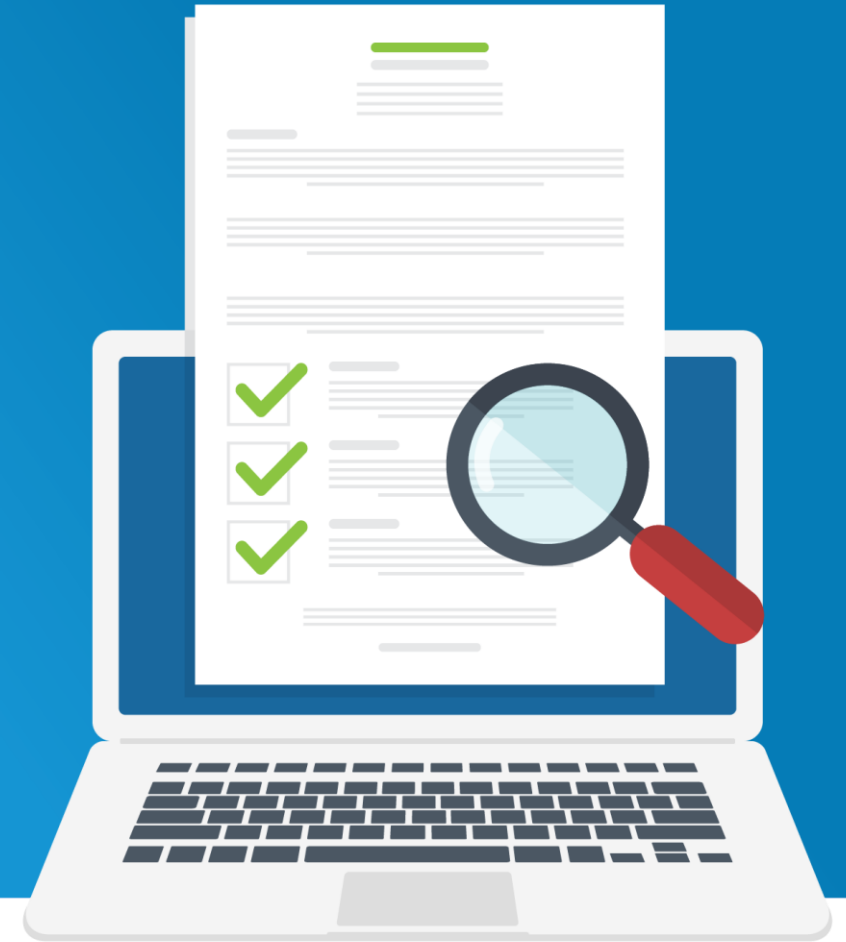


RAFB Requirements

ABA Referrals

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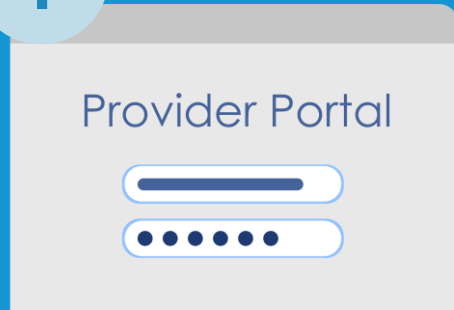
- RAFB's are required for any member who started treatment in 2022
- A psychologist, physician, or surgeon may sign the ABA referral form.
 - Please ensure they list your agency as the servicing provider
- If a member does not have an ABA Referral, please obtain and submit with your next authorization request to avoid delays or denials.



RAFB (ABA referrals)

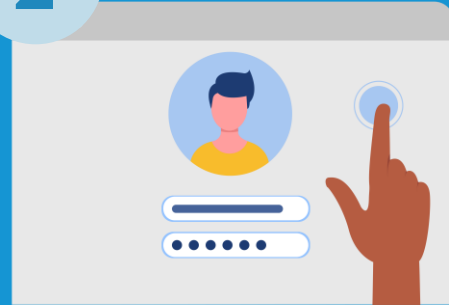
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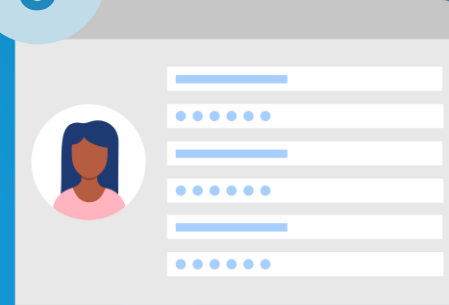
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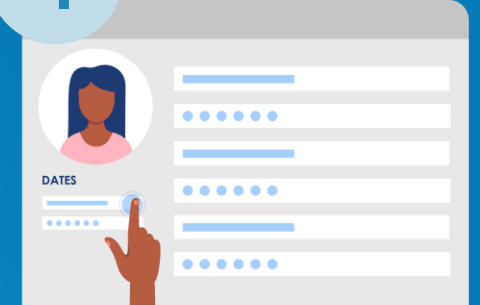
Search by member name

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If you are the servicing provider, it will show under the member's authorization history

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You can refine the history search by dates

Requests for more hours/units

Requests to increase hours

- **Requests to change units or HCPC codes are NEW requests.**
Please do not submit an addendum.
- **When submitting these types of requests please provide:**
 - Clinical rationale
 - Supporting evidence (i.e., data, assessments, observation etc.)
- **Please submit with your request:**
 - Updated treatment plan, service logs, and list all the codes you will need for the rest of the authorization
- In the event your request is approved our team will reach out to the provider to discuss when to end the original authorization.



Requests to increase hours - example

Original authorization approval #W12345
from 1/1/23-6/30/23

- H2019: 10 hours a week
- S5111: 5 sessions a week
- H0032 (direct): 2 hours a week
- H0032 (indirect): 10 hours total

On 2/20/23 a new request authorization
is submitted #W67890 for dates of service
from 3/1/23 – 6/30/23

- H2019: 20 hours a week
- S5111: 5 sessions a week
- H0032: 4 hours a week
- H0032 (indirect) 10 hours total

2:1 Staffing

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2:1 staffing may be indicated for some members when there are serious behaviors that cannot be resolved using 1 staff alone

- Aggression
- Elopement
- Self-injurious behaviors



2:1 Staffing Requests

In your requests for 2:1 staffing please include:

- Clinical rationale
- Supporting evidence
- Updated Behavior Intervention Plan that demonstrates how staff will be used
- Discharge criteria for the 2nd staff
- Breakdown of hours



Care coordination at the school

Care coordination

Care coordination at the school may be essential to propelling the member's treatment plan

Indirect supervision activities that may fall under care coordination may include:

- Attending IEP meetings
- Observations at the school as part of ongoing assessment



Contact us

- Provider Services Representative (805) 562-1676 or email providerservices@cencalhealth.org
- Behavioral Health Department: 1-877-814-1861, option 2
- [Reference our website at cencalhealth.org/providers/behavioral-health-treatment-and-mental-health-services/](https://cencalhealth.org/providers/behavioral-health-treatment-and-mental-health-services/)





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