

Therapeutic Behavioral Consultation: WaMS Update and The Behaviorist Search Engine



After this training participants will:


Demonstrate working knowledge of the updates to WaMS concerning therapeutic behavioral consultation.

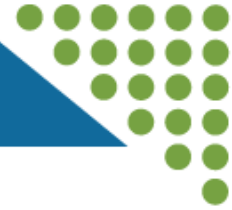
Become familiar with expectations of connecting individuals with a behaviorist within 30 days.

Demonstrate working knowledge of the behaviorist search engine resource.



Therapeutic Behavioral Consultation Services

- Therapeutic behavioral consultation services may be helpful for individuals who have challenging behavior.
 - These services typically consist of:
 - Conducting a functional behavioral assessment
 - Developing of a BSP
 - Focusing on decreasing challenging behavior
 - Increasing desirable/replacement behavior
 - Training for supporters on plan implementation
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WaMS Update

Team Questions
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Does any team member have an objection to any outcomes in my plan? Yes No *

Are there any restrictions that require review or agreement? Yes No *

Do I need financial planning or benefits counseling in order to maintain or maximize resources? Yes No *

Is there any IMPORTANT TO or IMPORTANT FOR information elsewhere that is not addressed in my plan? Yes No *

Does any team member have an objection to any essential supports in my plan? Yes No *

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B: Yes, referral(s) already completed and waiting to start services

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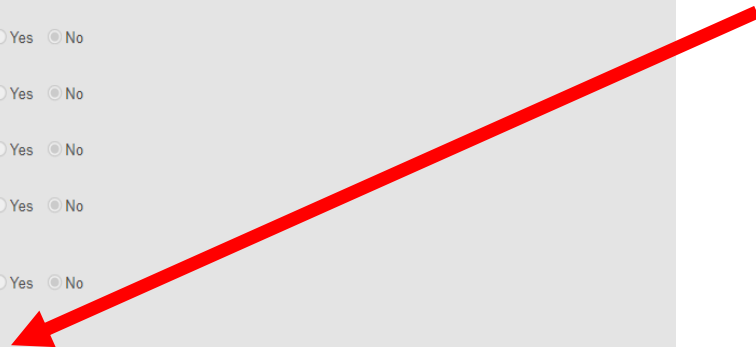
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If yes within 30 days, who will complete referral for behavioral services? (A service authorization should be submitted to DBHDS within 30 days of an identified need.) *

, Support Coordinator

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Goal: Service Authorization within 30 days of ISP meeting

A behaviorist is:

- Board Certified Behavior Analyst/Licensed Behavior Analyst (BCBA/LBA) and Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst/Licensed Assistant Behavior Analyst (BCaBA/LABA)
- Positive Behavior Support Facilitator (PBSF)
- Individuals recognized by a positive behavior supports organizations
- Clinician qualified to provide psychological consultation, per regulations 12VAC30-122-550



Contact multiple providers to increase likelihood of timely services!!

What if we can't obtain a provider or service authorization in 30 days?

How can we get more providers in our rural area?


<https://dbhds.virginia.gov/developmental-services/behavioral-services/>

<https://dbhds.virginia.gov/developmental-services/provider-network-supports/>

Locating Therapeutic Behavioral Consultation Providers

- Behaviorist Search Engine: dbhds.virginia.gov/developmental-services/behavioral-services

Locating providers for therapeutic behavioral consultation



There are two primary provider types that deliver therapeutic consultation behavioral services in Virginia: [Positive Behavior Support Facilitators \(PBSF\)](#) and [Board Certified Behavior Analysts[®]/Licensed Behavior Analysts \(BCBA[®]/LBA\)](#).

DBHDS is providing the following **SEARCH ENGINE** to locate behaviorists that deliver this service.



If you are behaviorist and would like to have your organization's contact information listed (or updated) on the search engine linked above, [please complete this form](#).

Behavioral Services

Home » Developmental Services » Behavioral Services

This page provides information on topics related to the delivery of behavioral services through the Developmental Disability waivers in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Information on how to locate a provider for this service, along with professional resources and training videos that behaviorists may find useful in their own practice are also offered. Additionally, content and resources related to quality reviews of behavioral programming is provided.

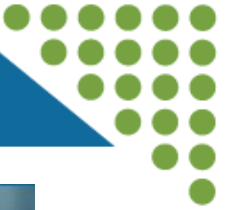


The August 1, 2024, update to WaMS will change the required responses related to Therapeutic Behavioral Consultation services.

An individual identified as in need of therapeutic services should be connected to a behaviorist within 30 days. An authorization needs to be in place within 30 days.

The Behaviorist Search Engine on the DBHDS Behavioral Services website has been created to assist in locating behaviorists in a timely manner by providing contact information for the providers operating in your area.





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