



Tennessee's Early Intervention System (TEIS) Information and Guidance (IAG)

TO:	Tennessee's Early Intervention Staff
FROM:	Tennessee's Early Intervention Central Office

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Registered Behavior Technician and BCBA Evaluations

Vendors: Amendment Required

Effective January 1, 2017, TEIS has approved language to provide the following services: Evaluations for Developmental Therapy by Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBA) and provision for use of Registered Behavior Technicians (RBT). An amendment must be completed to add these services to the current contract with TEIS. Agencies who are interested in providing these services must send an email to Barbara Bridges at <u>Barbara.Bridges@tn.gov</u> to request the paperwork to add additional services to the contract.

Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBA) shall provide **evaluation** for the purpose of developmental therapy using Applied Behavior Analysis Therapy for children who are exhibiting behaviors consistent with or have a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) to promote the acquisition of skills in a variety of developmental areas including cognitive and social development. Maximum rate schedule: \$75 per hour/home- and community-based services; \$60 per hour/clinic.

Registered Behavior Technicians (RBT) shall provide developmental therapy using Applied Behavior Analysis Therapy for children who are exhibiting behaviors consistent with or have a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) to promote the acquisition of skills in a variety of developmental areas including cognitive and social development. Maximum rate schedule: \$33 per hour/home- and community-based services; \$18 per hour/clinic.

Vendors: Clarification of Developmental Evaluations (Contract)

Developmental Evaluation, if authorized in the agency's current contract, is for the purposes of the administering the Battelle Developmental Inventory (BDI) or the Assessment, Evaluation, and Programming System for Infants and Children.

Vendors and EIRAs: Receipt of Payments

Due to increased workflows from all sections within the department of education, the payment process could take up to 60 days from the time agencies receive the invoice report from TEIS to receive payment.