

South Carolina Department of Disabilities & Special Needs
Behavior Support Services- Provider Verification

Behavior Support Services Definition:

Behavior Support are those services which use current, empirically validated practices to identify functions of target behaviors, prevent the occurrence of problem behavior, teach appropriate, functionally equivalent replacement behavior and react therapeutically to problematic behavior. These services include:

- a) Initial behavioral assessment for determining the need for and appropriateness of Behavior Support Services and for determining the function of the behaviors. Behavioral assessment (i.e., functional assessment and/or analysis) includes direct observation and collection of antecedent-behavior-consequence data, an interview of key persons, a preference assessment, collection of objective data (including antecedent-behavior-consequence data) and analysis of behavioral/functional assessment data to determine the function of the behaviors.
- b) Behavioral intervention (including staff/caregiver training), based on the functional assessment, that is primarily focused on replacement and prevention of the problem behavior(s) based on their function. And,
- c) An assessment of the success of the intervention through progress monitoring that includes analysis of behavioral data, any changes (including medication) and any needed modifications.

Minimum Requirements:

Be certified by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board, Inc.® in “active” status as either a:

- Board Certified Behavior Analyst® (BCBA®)
- Board Certified Behavior Analyst-Doctoral® (BCBA-D®)

Information to submit:

- [Provider Verification Coversheet](#)
- Copy of certificate from the Behavior Analyst Certification Board, Inc.®

Upon receipt of the information listed above, DDSN will, within sixty days of receipt, complete its review. DDSN will notify the applicant in writing of the decision following its review.

Once verified by DDSN, an online application to enroll with SC DHHS as a DDSN Medicaid Waiver Provider must be completed. The written letter of decision from DDSN will include the address for this online application.

Please direct any questions to: providerapplications@ddsn.sc.gov.
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