## Magellan IBHS Group Provider Workgroup

**APRIL 25, 2022** 



### Agenda

- ➤ Welcome
- ➤ Round table: Plans for Groups in Summer
- ➤ Group Authorization Process
- ➤ Group FAQ
- ➤ Review of Group Best Practices
- ➤ Q&A/Discussion for next steps



# Round Table: Plans for Group(s) in Summer



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- Current days/hours vs proposed summer days/hours
- Size and # of groups? Any changes to ratio?
- How will you individualize the prescription and program?
- Changes in structure?
- Curriculum
- How will you handle non-billables?
- Off-site activities?

What does your availability look like? Keep CM updated.



## **Group Authorization Process**



#### Written Orders for Group



 Written orders should include a recommendation for an Initial Group Assessment. On the Magellan template, complete Part A.



#### Magellan Behavioral Health of Pennsylvania, Inc. Intensive Behavioral Health Services (IBHS) Written Order Letter

Part A: Initial Assessment for IBHS

Assessments are required to be completed as part of the process to initiate an IBH service.

PART A: Check the Service Assessment Type that is needed. Also complete the signature information on the last page.

Service Assessment Type	Assessment Hours/Timeframes
Initial Assessment for IBHS	IBHS-15 hours for 30 days
Individual	NOTE: Assessment must occur within 15 calendar days of service initiation.
Initial Assessment for IBHS Group	IBHS-15 hours for 30 days
	NOTE: Assessment must occur within 15 calendar days of service initiation.
Initial Assessment for IBHS ABA	IBHS ABA-24 hours for 45 days
Services	NOTE: Assessment must occur within 30 calendar days of service initiation for ABA.
Initial Assessment for MST	MST-25 hours for 30 days
	NOTE: Assessment must occur within 15 calendar days of service initiation.
Initial Assessment for FFT	FFT-7.5 hours for 30 days
	NOTE: Assessment must occur within 15 calendar days of service initiation.



#### Initial Assessment Requests for Group

- Providers will request authorization for the initial group assessment on the IBHS
   Registration TAR. Please include a Written Order with the Registration TAR as well.
- Magellan will authorize 15 hours (60 units) for 30 calendar days.
- Assessments should be completed within 15 calendar days as per the regulations.
- Assessments must face-to-face in the settings in which services will be provided.

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### Written Order Group Recommendations



	IBHS Treatment Service	es
IBHS Individual	Behavior Consultant (BC)	Up to hours/month
	Mobile Therapist (MT)	Up to hours/month
	Behavioral Health Technician (BHT) School/Camp/Daycare/Preschool/ Afterschool	Up to hours/month Please indicate service location:
	Behavioral Health Technician (BHT) Home/Community	Up to hours/month
	Behavioral Health Technician (BHT) in a community-like setting/center based	Up to hours/month
	Brief Treatment Model (BTM)	·
	Behavior Consultant (BC)	Up to hours/month
	Mobile Therapist (MT)	Up to hours/month
	Evidence-Based Therapy (EBT)	
	Multisystemic Therapy (MST)	Up to hours/month
	Functional Family Therapy (FFT)	Up to hours/month
IBHS Group	Up to hours/month	
IBHS ABA Group	Graduate Level Professional (GLP)	Up to hours/month
	Behavioral Health Technician (BHT)	Up to hours/month
IBHS ABA	Behavior Consultant - ABA (BC-ABA)	Up to hours/month
	Behavioral Health Technician – ABA (BHT	- Unito hours/month



### Requesting ABA Group



#### **GLP & BHT-ABA**

- Split the units
- Same units for both clinicians.

Requests should be consistent with your approved group program description.



#### Requesting Group Re-Assessment



In order to allow Group Providers to be able to bill for the Re-Assessment, providers will need to request an authorization.

 Group providers will use the Initial Registration TAR to request a re-assessment authorization requesting 30 days/60 units. The start and end date of that assessment will be the last 30 days of the requested authorization period.

#### For example,

- ☐ Initial Group Assessment auth, 3/3-4/1/22, 60 units
- ☐ On 3/30, full packet comes in requesting 6 months of Group, 4/1-9/27/22
- □ In addition, in this packet, on the Initial Registration IBHS TAR, providers would request 30 days, 60u, 8/29-9/27/22. This way the provider gets a group auth as well as an assessment auth to use near the end of the auth period for the re-assessment.



#### **Group Packet Request**

Following the completion of the assessment and development of the Individualized Treatment Plan (ITP) the authorization request for Group/ABA Group should be submitted with the following documents:

- 1. Treatment Authorization Request (TAR) Form
- 2. Written Order
- 3. Assessment
- 4. Individualized Treatment Plan (ITP)
- 5. \*IBHS Registration Only TAR requesting 60 units for the last 30 days of the group auth

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Please submit Group requests separately.

This applies even if a member is receiving Individual or ABA Services within the same agency.



# Group FAQ





Q: Do all IBHS group authorizations have to be up to 6 months?

A: Requests should be consistent with the duration of your group and/or the member's needs. The authorizations cannot exceed 6 months.





Q: Do we need a separate assessment auth for group and ABA/Individual services if a member is being assessed for both?

A: Yes for reporting purposes two authorizations are required.





Q: If a provider is supplying both individual and group services together, can the same packet be submitted to request both services?

A: No, Group services must be requested separately.





#### Q: Do we need to complete the CANS for group services?

A: CANS is not required for members attending group services. However, we do require a standardized assessment/outcome tool be used.





- Q: What if we want to make changes to our already approved group(s)?
- A: In order to make any changes to your Magellan approved group(s), please update your group service description previously approved by Magellan. Please submit that updated SD to IBHS@magellanhealth.com.



## **Group Best Practices**



#### Group Assessments – Best Practices



#### Use of structured assessment tool that assesses need addressed by group services

- E.g. Social Responsiveness Scale (SRS), Social Skills Rating System (SSRS), Social Skills Improvement System (SSIS)
- E.g. Functional Behavior Assessment/Functional Analysis what are the optimal environments for skill acquisition for this member that will increase opportunities for learning and reinforcement

## Rationale for participation in specific requested group based on outcome of assessment AND Inclusionary/Exclusionary Criteria

What prevents member from participating in community-based programming?
 What other alternatives were considered before determining that Group would be the least restrictive option? (Boy Scouts, dance class, soccer team)

What is this specific groups criteria to be included and excluded? (Inclusionary/Exclusionary Criteria)



#### Group Individualized Treatment Plan – Best Practices



Objective, measurable goals based on assessed needs - How needs be addressed? How will measurable progress or lack there of be monitored?

**Caregiver transfer of skill** – How will caregivers, including school IEP team members, be trained or made aware of interventions?

**Skill generalization to natural settings** – How will skills learned in the group transfer or be practiced in functional settings so that they maintain?

**Titration and Discharge Planning** – At what point does transition to community-based afterschool settings occur? Could needs be better met in different LOC?



#### Other Misc. Group Best Practices



- Providers are required to ensure that there is not a duplication in service delivery for any member attending Group Services. If member is receiving other services, these need to be coordinated with Group program to ensure effective and efficient utilization of services.
- Are Group service goals aligned with other levels of care being provided to the member?
- Are the Group facilitators trained in the delivery of therapeutic services in a group context and for the specific need being addressed?
- How are groups assigned and managed Age appropriate/developmentally appropriate?
   Will ratios be assigned based on the needs of the groups represented?
- Groups are social skills but may need to consider adaptive skills as a focus.



#### Helpful Resources



- IBHS Group Services Medical Necessity Guidelines —
   https://www.dhs.pa.gov/HealthChoices/HC-Providers/Documents/OMHSAS-20-05%20 %20IBHS%20MGN%20Bulletin%20-%20Attachment%203%20Group%20Services.pdf
- IBHS OMHSAS FAQ Feb 2022 –
   https://www.dhs.pa.gov/sandbox/training/Documents/IBHS%20FAQ%20updated%20022

   222.pdf
- MBH IBHS Written Order Template –
   https://www.magellanofpa.com/documents/2021/07/p-forms-ibhs-written-order-updated-version.pdf/
- MBH IBHS Registration TAR <a href="https://www.magellanofpa.com/documents/2021/07/p-forms-ibhs-tar-registration-cover-sheet.pdf/">https://www.magellanofpa.com/documents/2021/07/p-forms-ibhs-tar-registration-cover-sheet.pdf/</a>
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Q&A
Discussion
Next Steps



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