## Autism Care Demonstration (ACD): Recoupment tip sheet for Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) providers





Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) providers must comply with medical documentation and billing practices listed in the <u>TRICARE Operations Manual (TOM)</u>, <u>Chapter 18</u>, <u>and Section 4</u>. Providers who fail to demonstrate compliance are subject to additional training and payment recoupment as required by policy.

## Reasons for recoupment

- Improper CPT code used: noncompliance with Adapted Behavior Services ABS-approved CPT code (TOM Chapter 18, Section 4, 8.9.8)
- Improper units used (TOM Chapter 18, Section 4, 8.9.7), including session start or end time
- Improper rendering provider listed (TOM Chapter 18, Section 4, 8.9.7)
- Improper certification of provider (TOM Chapter 18, Section 4, 8.2), if you have questions or concerns about provider certification please contact HMACDProviderInquiries@humana.com
- Excluded services and supplies provided: a session note that appears to document any of these exclusions may result in a recoupment (TOM Chapter 18, Section 4, 8.10)
- Missing medical records: providers who receive requests for medical records are required to submit the requested medical record in its entirety to Humana Military, per 32 CFR 199.4(a) (5)

## Tips for avoiding recoupment

- Familiarize yourself with TOM, Chapter 18, Section 4 requirements
- Document all required elements in progress notes, per the <u>progress note guidance document</u>
- Confirm that billed claims have corresponding medical documentation
- Provide services in line with ABS-approved CPT code requirements
- Avoid exclusions
- Submit all medical records for ABA services rendered when medical records are requested for a specific patient and date of service

