



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

Bulletin HC-99
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TO: All Health Insurance Companies and Health Care Centers Authorized to Conduct Business in Connecticut

RE: Health Insurance Coverage for Autism Spectrum Disorders and Early Intervention Services

This Bulletin rescinds and replaces Bulletin HC-96, issued on April 22, 2014 which clarified Connecticut's mandated coverage for autism spectrum disorders and early intervention services in relation to changes brought about under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. 111-48, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, Pub. L. 111-152 (collectively "ACA").

Because the ACA prohibits dollar limits on benefits, the current dollar limits provided in the autism mandate Conn. Gen. Stat. §38a-514(b) are preempted by the ACA. Therefore, rather than use a variety of conversion approaches with potentially varying benefit outcomes, we are requesting all carriers remove limits to their Applied Behavioral Analysis benefits.

Please contact the Insurance Department Legal Division at Kristin.Campanelli@ct.gov with any questions.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Thomas B. Leonardi".

Thomas B. Leonardi

Insurance Commissioner