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The TRICARE Management Activity has authorized the following addition(s)/revision(s).

CHANGE TITLE: COVERAGE OF APPLIED BEHAVIORAL ANALYSIS (ABA) UNDER THE TRICARE BASIC PROGRAM

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SUMMARY OF CHANGE(S): This change allows coverage for ABA services for any TRICARE beneficiary, including retirees and their dependent family members with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

Through U.S. District Court order, TRICARE Management Activity (TMA) has been ordered to cover ABA therapy under the TRICARE Basic Program. This is an interim benefit in effect until litigation is complete.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 5, 2010.

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