



**TO: Physicians, Physician Groups, APRNs, APRN Groups, Physician Assistants, Psychologists, LCSWs, LMFTs, LPCs, BCBAs, Outpatient Hospitals, Medical, Rehabilitation, and Behavioral Health Clinics, Enhanced Care Clinics**

**RE: Provider Qualification Process for Autism Spectrum Disorder Services**

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Effective July 1, 2016, Beacon Health Options will assume the responsibility of qualifying Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) providers who wish to enroll in the Medicaid Program to provide services under the Medicaid State Plan. Beacon Health Options is the behavioral health Administrative Services Organization (ASO) for the Medicaid Program. Prior to July 1, 2016, the Department of Development Services qualified ASD providers for the Medicaid Program.

This change in the qualifying process is not applicable to Medicaid waiver service providers. The Department of Developmental Services will continue to qualify ASD waiver providers.

For questions, please contact Beacon Health Options Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Services Department at 1-877-552-8247, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.