

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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Stuart Portman
Executive Director
Medical Assistance Plans Division
Georgia Department of Community Health
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, 19th Floor
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

RE: TN GA-25-0008

Dear Executive Director Portman,

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reviewed the proposed Georgia state plan amendment (SPA) to Attachment 4.19-B GA-25-0008, which was submitted to CMS on July 23, 2025. This plan amendment updates the rate for the Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) services.

We reviewed your SPA submission for compliance with statutory requirements including in sections 1902(a)(2), 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30), and 1903 as it relates to the identification of an adequate source for the non-federal share of expenditures under the plan, as required by 1902(a)(2), of the Social Security Act and the applicable implementing Federal regulations.

Based upon the information provided by the state, we have approved the amendment with an effective date of July 1, 2025. We are enclosing the approved CMS-179 and a copy of the new state plan pages.

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please contact Ysabel Gavino via email at maria.gavino@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Todd McMillion

Todd McMillion
Director
Division of Reimbursement Review

Enclosures

Autism Spectrum Disorder Services Reimbursement. Services to treat Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), as defined in the most recent edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, include assessment and treatment services provided to Medicaid beneficiaries in accordance with Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) standards and according to medical necessity. Pursuant to 42 CFR 440.130(c), services must be recommended by a licensed physician or other licensed practitioner of the healing arts acting within their scope of practice under state law to prevent the progression of ASD, prolong life, and promote the physical and mental health and efficiency of the individual.

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of Autism Spectrum Disorder Services. The agency's fee schedule rate was set as of January 1, 2018, and is effective as of July 1, 2025, for services provided on or after that date, and is located at:

<https://www.mmis.georgia.gov/portal/PubAccess.Provider%20Information/Fee%20Schedules/tabId/20/Default.aspx>