



**South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs (SCDDSN)
Medicaid Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waivers
Behavior Support Services Fact Sheet**

Experienced Behavior Analysts are needed to provide high quality Behavior Support Services to South Carolinians with intellectual and related disabilities (ID/RD), traumatic brain injuries (TBI) and spinal cord injuries (SCI).

HCBS Waiver-funded Behavior Support Services use current, empirically validated practices to identify causes of, intervene to prevent and appropriately react to problematic behavior. These services include initial assessment for determining the need for and appropriateness of Behavior Support Services; behavioral assessment (i.e., functional assessment and/or analysis) that includes direct observation, interview of key persons and collection of objective data; analysis of behavioral/functional assessment data to determine the function of the behaviors (and later to assess success of intervention and any needed modifications) and planning behavioral intervention (including staff/caregiver training), based on the functional assessment, that is primarily focused on prevention of the problem behaviors, based on their function.

Providers are needed throughout the state; however, the need is greater in some counties than in others. This is an excellent opportunity for entrepreneurs who desire flexibility with their schedule and caseload.

Approved providers enroll with the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) and receive a personal provider number.

Professionals interested in applying and enrolling as an approved provider of HCBS Waiver-funded Behavior Support Services can download a file (MS Word) including application materials and instructions at the following web address:
<http://www.ddsn.sc.gov/providers/becomeqpl/Pages/PDDandBehaviorSupportProvidersFactSheets.aspx>.

Applicants are required to submit a work sample and, unless already a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA), are also interviewed as part of the approval process. Those found qualified by SCDDSN are recommended to SCDHHS and asked to complete the SCDHHS online application to enroll as a Medicaid provider. SCDHHS processes enrollments and issues provider numbers then notifies SCDDSN so that providers can be included in a listing of approved providers found at the following web address:

<https://app.ddsn.sc.gov/public/ndp/landing.do?providerType=B>.

Service standards can be found at the following web address:

[http://www.ddsn.sc.gov/about/directives-standards/Documents/currentstandards/Behavior%20Support%20Standards%20-%20Revised%20\(030114\).pdf](http://www.ddsn.sc.gov/about/directives-standards/Documents/currentstandards/Behavior%20Support%20Standards%20-%20Revised%20(030114).pdf)

Questions about the provider criteria or approval/enrollment process should be directed to Mr. Jacob Chorey in the ID/RD Division at jchorey@ddsn.sc.gov.