

Autism Resources

Guide to Using Autism Benefits at EMU

The autism benefit at Eastern Michigan University covers Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Psychotherapy, and Diagnostic services.

- PPO: 100% In-Network (No deductible or co-pay)
- HMO: \$35 \$45 co-pay depending on the service

To access and review your healthcare plan benefits, visit the **EMU Benefits webpage**.

How to schedule an assessment

Schedule a diagnostic assessment or evaluation by an approved Autism Evaluation Center (AAEC). Eastern Michigan has a center conveniently located on campus. Additional providers can be found through:

- Directory at Autism Alliance of Michigan
- Directory at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan

Please use the Insurance Worksheet provided by the Autism Collaborative Center (ACC) to understand the autism treatment benefits available to you. For your convenience, the ACC staff on campus can be contacted for assistance with autism services and questions at **734.487.2890** or agreenin@emich.edu.

Common reasons your insurance may deny a service:

- No AAEC diagnosis on file (they expire every 3 years)
- Service provider failed to obtain a pre-authorization for treatment or concurrent authorization
- Procedure code used does not fall under autism benefit and was sent to the department that manages medical and mental health benefits, resulting in a denial of coverage

Questions?

For additional questions, the contract holder can call the <u>Mental Health</u> services phone number on the back of their health insurance card and ask to be directed to the Behavioral Health Department (if applicable). After reaching <u>Behavioral Health Services</u>, request to speak with a <u>Behavioral Health Case Manager</u> who can further assist with autism or other treatment.

Enrollment or other questions can be directed to the EMU Benefits Office at 734-487-3195.

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