



**DBHDD**

Department of Behavioral  
Health & Developmental  
Disabilities

# NOW/COMP Policies: Behavior Supports Consultation (BSC)

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# Objectives

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- Overview of BSC Waiver Service
  
- Identify changes to BSC waiver policy
  - Language
  - Qualification Criteria
  - Addition of Provider Agency



## BSC Waiver Service Overview

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- For individuals living in their own or family's home
- For reduction of severe and challenging behaviors
- Residential service recipients are not eligible for this service



## BSC Covered Services Overview

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- ❑ Functional assessment of behavior and other behavioral assessments
- ❑ Development of behavior plans
- ❑ Intervention modalities related to identified behavioral needs of recipient
- ❑ Participant-specific skills or replacement behavior acquisition training
- ❑ Family education and training

# Simple Changes to Language

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- Functional analysis

↓ CHANGED TO:

- Functional assessment



# Simple Changes to Language

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- Positive Behavior Supports Specialist

↓ CHANGED TO:

- Behavior Supports Consultant



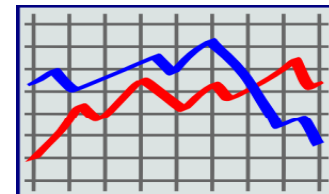
# Simple Changes to Language

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- Development of positive behavior support plans...

↓ CHANGED TO:

- Development, *training*, and *monitoring* of positive behavior support plans



# Simple Changes to Language

- Providers must comply with...

## *Best Practice Standards for Behavioral Support Services*





# Changes to Individual Qualifications

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- 35 hours of training in behavior analysis and behavioral supports

- NEW:



- At least 12 semester graduate credit hours (18 quarter hours)
- Remainder of hours can be obtained through workshops



## Changes to Individual Qualifications

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- 2 years experience in behavioral supports evaluation and services...
  
- NEW:
  - With at least 1 year supervised by qualified professional (1200 work hours)

# Addition of Agency Provider

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- Accredited or Certified DD Agencies
- Must have: Agency Director and DDP
  - Can be same person
- Employees providing BSC must be approved by the Division of DD, BSC approval process



# Agency Provider: Director

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- ❑ Bachelor's degree and
- ❑ 5 years experience,
- ❑ 2 years supervisory experience

OR

- ❑ Associates degree and
- ❑ 6 years experience,
- ❑ 2 years supervisory experience



# Director Responsibilities

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- ❑ Oversee operations
- ❑ Manage funds
- ❑ Manage policies
- ❑ Manage staffing and contracts
- ❑ Designate oversight during absences



# Agency Provider: Developmental Disability Professional (DDP)

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- Standard DDP criteria AND
- Individual provider criteria
  - Masters degree
  - 35 hours training & education
  - 2 years experience (1 supervised)





# DDP Responsibilities

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- Overseeing service delivery
- Supervising treatment plans
- Supervising high intensity services



## Division of DD, BSC Approval Process

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- Submit documents to DD Behavioral Services Unit
  - Director of Behavior Supports
  - 2 Peachtree, Suite 22-434
  
- Obtain written certification prior to service delivery





## Division BSC Approval Process

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- Masters degree
  - Transcripts
- 35 hours of training and education
  - Transcripts
  - Training certificates



## Division of DD, BSC Approval Process

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- 1 year experience
  - Verified by reference
- Attestation of passed background check



## Division of DD, BSC Approval Process

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- Each staff delivering covered services must obtain this certification prior to commencing service delivery
- You will be documenting the name of person who delivered the service



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# Behavior Supports Consultation Service

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