On or before March 31, 2019, the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) will submit a Medicaid Autism Treatment Services State Plan Amendment for approval to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, effective January 1, 2019.

Effective January 1, 2019, the temporary Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Category III codes for Adaptive Behavior Assessment and Treatment will be replaced by the new permanent CPT Category I codes.

The fee schedule is being updated to reflect the new codes and unit limits. Due to adjustments in the units, the Relative Value Units (RVUs) are also adjusted. As a result, the rates are slightly different than the previous rates. The update to new CPT codes is not anticipated to have a fiscal impact.

We invite your comments and questions postmarked through December 31, 2018.