


MEMORANDUM

DATE	August 24, 2017
TO	Board of Psychology
FROM	 Konnor Leitzell Student Assistant
SUBJECT	Agenda Item #16(b)(2)(EE) – AB 1074 (Maienschein) Health Care Coverage: Pervasive Developmental Disorder or Autism

Background:

This bill would, for purposes of health care service plans and health insurers, to a qualified autism service professional or a qualified autism service paraprofessional to be supervised by a qualified autism service provider for purposes of providing behavioral health treatment. The bill would require a qualified autism service professional and a qualified autism service paraprofessional to be employed by a qualified autism service provider or an entity or group that employs qualified autism service providers. The bill additionally would authorize a qualified autism service professional, as specified, to supervise a qualified autism service paraprofessional. The bill would revise the definition of a qualified autism service professional to specify that the behavioral health treatment provided by the qualified autism service professional may include clinical case management and case supervision under the direction and supervision of a qualified autism service provider. The bill would also revise the definition of behavioral health treatment for purposes of the Medi-Cal program to be those services administered by the State Department of Health Care Services as described in the state plan approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Location: Senate

Status: 8/21/2017 From Committee: Amend, and do pass as amended

Vote: 8/21/2017 Senate Committee on Appropriations (7-0-0)
 7/11/2017 Senate Committee on Human Services (7-0-0)/
 6/14/2017 Senate Committee on Health (9-0-0)
 5/30/2017 Assembly Floor (77-0-3)
 5/24/2017 Assembly Committee on Appropriations (17-0-0)
 4/25/2017 Assembly Committee on Health (15-0-0)

Action Requested:

No action is required at this time. Staff will continue to watch AB 1074 (Maienschein) to monitor its effects on oversight of applied behavior analysis providers.