

ABA CONSULTANTS – updated 8/2018

The following list of agencies and ABA consultants are approved providers under the Howard County Public School System's Collaborative Funding Agreement. These individuals and agencies are not affiliates of the Howard County Autism Society or the Howard County Public School System, and their listing herein does not indicate any endorsement by the Society or System. No responsibility is assumed by the Society or System for the use of any individual or agency listed.

AGENCIES

Alliance Pediatrics

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Service Description: Verbal Behavior therapy (VB), Functional behavior assessment (FBA), Natural Environment Training (NET), Discrete Trial Training (DTT), Systematic prompting procedures, Fading, Thinning, Reinforcing behaviors, Shaping, Chaining, Generalization, Extinction, etc.

Consultant rate: \$61/15 minute unit (BCBA-D)

Therapist rate: \$45.00-55.00/hr (does allow family hiring of therapists)

Provider availability and hours: 9-6 M-F for in office visits, in-home ABA therapist's availability is flexible.

Does not accept insurance.

The Children's SPOT

Kimahni Peele, M.S., BCBA
8815 Columbia 100 Parkway, Suite 4/5
Columbia, MD 21045
877-776-8502
kimahni.peele@spotofmd.com
www.spotofmd.com

Service Description: Trans-disciplinary team offers multiple, coordinated services to meet the complex needs of children. Staffed by ABA, Occupational, and Speech therapists

Consultant rate: \$125.00/hour (BCBA)

Therapist rate: \$35/hr

Provider availability and hours: 8-3 weekday availability and some weekends, waitlist for evening hours

Insurance: Accepts Tricare insurance

Please note: only in-home based services are eligible for reimbursement

Connect-to-Talk

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Connec-to-Talk, privately owned since 2003, is a leading private practice in the speech, occupational, and ABA therapy fields. Our name reflects our commitment to providing comprehensive, evidence-based treatment to clients with speech difficulties and disorders. We believe in using a holistic approach to treatment, in which the whole child's needs are considered in all treatment plans and interventions. We provide a casual and team-oriented work environment in which families can feel comfortable.

Services specific to ABA

- Functional Behavior Assessments
- Parent/Caregiver Training
- School Consultation Services
- Consultation to existing ABA programming
- Peer play dates
- Facilitating peer interactions during birthday parties/after school activities
- Accompany parent and child to various life skills appointments(i.e., dentist, doctor, hair salons, etc.)
- Home services to assist parents with problematic behaviors during daily living activities(i.e., toilet training, getting dressed, brushing teeth, riding appropriately in car, etc.)
- Inservices for parents and school personnel

Consultant rate: please contact directly for rates

Therapist rate: please contact directly for rates

Provider availability and hours: accepting new clients: morning, afternoon, evening and weekend hours

Does accept insurance: Aetna, Anthem, Carefirst, Cigna, Kaiser, Optum, United Healthcare

Continuum Behavioral Health/Continuum Autism Spectrum Alliance

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703-564-1662

703-216-8100

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Maryland:

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Columbia, MD 21045

Service Description: Home, School, Center, and Community based ABA program evaluations, consulting, development, and instruction with an emphasis in verbal behavior. Functional Behavior Assessments (FBA), behavior reduction programming and treatment, parent and staff training, BCBA/BCaBA supervision, IEP development and advocacy, behavior intervention plan development, contractual services to public and private schools, trained 1:1 Registered Behavior Technicians, social skills groups, structured play dates, Clinic Based ABA, Telehealth Counseling and ABA services with our Marriage Family Counselors, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, and BCBA's.

Consultant rate: BCBA/BCaBA: \$125/hr

Junior Consultant rate: \$100/hr

Registered Behavior Technician: \$60.00/hr

Behavior Technician: \$50/hr (does allow family hiring of therapists, will train/assist hiring)

Provider availability and hours: AM availability, all day Clinic availability, no PM home services availability after 2:00 pm

Does accept insurance: TRICARE, Kaiser, MD Choices, HSCSN, United Behavioral Health, Cigna, BCBS MD, Carefirst BCBS VA, and MD Medicaid

Imagine Wellness, LLC

Crystal Wissinger, M.S., LBA, BCBA, E-RYT

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Laurel, MD 20723

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Service Description: Imagine Wellness, LLC provides behavioral services to children with autism from 2 - 22 years of age in the home, community, and within their school. Imagine Wellness combines traditional Discrete Trial Teaching techniques with Child-lead Incidental Teaching strategies to promote linguistic, communicative social, academic, and self-help skill acquisition.

Our service offerings include:

- Behavioral consultation in home, school, and/or community
- In home program development, delivery, and management
- School observations & collaborative meetings w/ teachers and other clinicians
- Family training
- 1-on-1 direct instruction
- community support and program generalization
- social skills groups
- Summer Camp
- Yoga, fitness, & wellness

Consultant rate: \$85.00-\$125.00/hour

Therapist rate: \$35.00-\$50.00/hour (does allow family hiring of therapists, will train/assist hiring)

*Does not current have behavioral techs as part of the practice, all 1:1 care comes directly from Ms. Wissinger

Provider availability and hours: morning and early afternoon availability

Does accept insurance.

Little Leaves Behavioral Services

Amie Perl or Cassie Raley
9545 Georgia Ave
Silver Spring, MD 20910-1438
202-420-8359

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www.littleleaves.org

Baltimore Office:
7401 Park Heights Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21208
410-800-4427

Service Description: [ABA- Applied Behavioral Analysis Assessments and Therapy](#)
Intensive Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) therapy for children with autism spectrum disorders, problem behaviors, or related challenges. Home, daycare, school, and community based services based on the individual needs of your child. Incorporates a broad range of ABA strategies, often with a focus on verbal behavior. BCBA/BCBA-D case supervisors and trained therapists. We accept most major insurances. Please see our website for details. Please call for rates.

Provider availability and hours: daytime openings, limited availability for after school

Please note: only in-home based services are eligible for reimbursement

Little Red Car ABA Services, LLC

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Catonsville, MD 21228-4960
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ashley@littleredcaraba.com

www.littleredcaraba.com

Service Description: Home and community-based consultation, supervision, and training services for children and young adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders from 18 months to 21 years. Specializing in skill acquisition programs including language, play, social skills, leisure skills, academics, self-help, and independence while addressing challenging behaviors functionally using positive behavioral supports. Also offering an 8 week Play Workshop.

Consultant rate: **Please contact directly for rates

Therapist rate: **Please contact directly for rates

Provider availability and hours: availability for morning clients; waitlist for all other times. **Does accept insurance.**

Optimal Beginnings, LLC

Alyssa Vasquez

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Bethesda, MD 20816

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www.optimalbeginning.com

Service Description: Provides in-home ABA therapy to children with Autism and/or developmental delays.

Consultant rate: please contact provider for rates

Therapist rate: please contact provider for rates

Provider availability and hours: currently has a waitlist, fill out enrollment form if interested

Does accept insurance.

The Shafer Center

Lauren Brocke

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Owings Mills, MD 21117

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www.thshafercenter.com

Service Description: ABA therapy in home and in center, behavior consultation, speech therapy sessions, and assessment services

Consultant rate: \$110.00/hour (BCBA/BCaBA)

In home and center based therapist rate: \$45 per 30 minutes

Provider availability and hours: waitlist for in-home afternoon and home ABA services

Does accept insurance.

Please note: only in-home based services are eligible for reimbursement

Snowflakes ABA, LLC

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Service Description: Our mission is to help our clients communicate effectively and learn the necessary social, educational, functional, and adaptive skills to lead a happy and productive life, and to give their families the tools necessary to aid them in their journey.

Consultant rate: \$125.00/hour for collaborative funding clients.

Therapist rate: \$75/hour

Provider availability and hours: contact provider for availability

Accepts insurance: BCBS/Carefirst, Tricare, Aetna, Medicaid/Beacon

The SPARKS Group, LLC

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Service Description: Our mission is to develop programs for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders that will allow them to reach their highest potential. We provide comprehensive services that allow us to develop individualized programs. We strive to provide Autism education, services, and products to all communities in need.

Consultant rate: \$120.00/hour (BCBA)

Therapist rate: \$60.00/hr (does not allow family hiring of therapists)

Provider availability and hours: Please contact for availability.

Does accept insurance.

Spectrum, LLC

Heather Hooper, MA, BCBA, LBA

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Severn, MD 21144

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Service Description: Home, School, and Community Based ABA consulting services for individuals aged 2 and up utilizing Verbal Behavior (VB) methodologies, discrete trial training (DTT), and natural environment training (NET). Additional services including functional behavior analysis (FBA), development of behavior intervention plans (BIP), structured play dates, social skills training, toilet training, parent/staff training, BCBA/BCaBA supervision, and assistance with IEP development.

Consultant Rate: Please contact for rates.

Therapist Rate: Please contact for rates. (Allows family hiring of therapists pending approval and appropriate training by Clinical Supervisor.)

Provider availability and hours: Afternoon openings in September 2018

Does accept insurance: Tricare/Humana, USFHP, Optum, United Behavioral Health, Cigna, Carefirst BCBS, Anthem BCBS, Kaiser Permanente, Medicaid/Beacon, and Aetna insurances

Trellis Services

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Service Description: Trellis provides in-home and center-based ABA services to individuals with Autism. Trellis can also support children at school and in the community. The focus is to build critical communication, social and independent living skills. These goals are achieved through a range of methods including discrete trial teaching and natural environmental teaching, but always with a heavy focus on play-based strategies to keep children engaged and having fun. Programs are available year-round with individual one-on-one support from a highly trained Behavior Interventionist and Board Certified Behavior Analyst who tailors program goals to each child's specific needs.

Consultant Rate: Please contact for rates.

Therapist Rate: Please contact for rates. (does not allow parents to hire own therapists)

Provider availability and hours: Please contact provider for availability

Does accept insurance

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Verbal Beginnings - Home-Based Services

7175 Columbia Gateway Dr. Ste. A, Columbia, MD 21046

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www.verbalbeginnings.com

Service Description:

Verbal Beginnings provides home-based and center-based ABA Therapy focused on teaching and strengthening communication skills, social skills, behavior management, and self-help skills. Services are provided under the expertise of highly trained BCBAs who work closely with families to achieve optimal outcomes. Verbal Beginnings is focused on providing a comprehensive team approach towards treatment and parents benefit from a highly supportive administrative team. Our center-based services include our feeding services and early intervention program.

Consultant rate: \$125.00/hour

Therapist rate: \$60.00/hr (does not allow family hiring of therapists)

Provider availability and hours: In home availability: 8:00-9:00 Monday-Saturday
*changes frequently so please call for updated availability

Does accept insurance.

Please note: only in-home based services are eligible for reimbursement

Social Beginnings

7175 Columbia Gateway Dr. Ste. A, Columbia, MD 21046

(888) 344-5977

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www.verbalbeginnings.com

Service Description:

Social Beginnings is an advanced social skills programming designed for children diagnosed with ASD who need support with improving and developing social skills. Sessions are 2 hours in length and entail the instruction, support and practice of social skills in natural settings. The program which meets twice per week is offered in multiple locations around Maryland and follows the school schedule. During the summer, a 6-week social skills camp is offered

Consultant rate: \$125.00/hour

Therapist rate: \$60.00/hr (does not allow family hiring of therapists)

Provider availability and hours: Please contact for availability

Does accept insurance.

**This is community and group based