## ACT 62 INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

In Pennsylvania, your child's autism-related services may be covered by private health insurance or Medical Assistance (MA) under **Pennsylvania's Autism Insurance Act (ACT 62).** 

The Department of Human Services (DHS), Pennsylvania Insurance Department (PID), and Department of State (DOS) are working together to fully implement Act 62. The Departments worked together to identify the billing codes for providers to use to bill private insurance and MA for services to diagnose and treat ASD for children and adolescents. Beginning September 30, 2016, private insurance companies may approve services and claims that they may have denied in the past.



## What do I need to do?

- Check with your employer's Human Resources Department to see if your insurance policy is covered under Act 62.
- Show your provider all insurance information, including your private health insurance card and your Medical Assistance card.
- Talk to your provider. Providers play an important role in helping families understand Act 62.

• Ask if your provider is enrolled in your private health insurance company's network. In order for MA to pay a claim that your private insurance company denies, your provider must be enrolled in the private insurance company's network and submit a claim for payment to your private insurance company.

• Visit **www.PAAutismInsurance.org** for Act 62 information including fact sheets, answers to Frequently Asked Questions, and contact information for DHS and the PID.

• If you receive a denial from your private health insurance company, check out information on how to appeal an insurance denial for the assessment or treatment of ASD and sample appeal letters at **www.PAAutismInsurance.org**.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

Check out the Department of Human Services Fact Sheet and other resources on the Autism Insurance Act.

Questions about this resource, and all other questions about the Autism Insurance Act (ACT 62), can be submitted to the PA Department of Human Services: RA-PWACT62@pa.gov or the PA Insurance Department-Consumer Services: RA-IN-AUTISM@pa.gov

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