

ABA CONSULTANTS – updated 11/2015

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

Jenny Slater
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Gaithersburg, MD 20878
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www.alliancepediatrics.com

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: \$44-45/15 minute unit (BCBA-D)
Therapist rate: \$40.00-50.00/hr (does allow family hiring of therapists)
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: \$115.00/hour (BCBA)
Therapist rate: \$30/hr
Insurance: Accepts Tricare insurance

Continuum Autism Spectrum Alliance

Jamie Bassos, MS, BCBA

Virginia:

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McLean, VA 22192

703-564-1662

jbassos@continuumgroup.net

www.autismspectrumalliance.com

Maryland:

8950 Old Annapolis Rd, Suite 123

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, collaboration with other professionals, IEP development and advocacy, behavior intervention plan development, contractual services to public and private schools, trained 1:1 behavior technicians, social skills groups, structured play dates, psychological assessment/testing/diagnosis, Speech and Language testing and services, and ABLLS-R, AFLS, and VB-MAPP assessments.

Consultant rate: \$160.00/hour (BCBA), \$130.00/hour (BCaBA)

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

Does accept insurance, TRICARE, Kaiser and United behavioral health

Imagine Wellness, LLC

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

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Elkridge, MD 21075

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crystal@imaginewellnessllc.com

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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*

Does accept insurance.

ICAN (Integrating Children and Knowledge)

Cindy Onder, MA, CCC-SLP/L, BCBA

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Bethesda, MD 20814

301-897-0815

301-897- 0819 (Fax)

icanofwashington@hotmail.com

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Service Description: Consultative services for children with Autism and other Developmental Delays. Development and maintenance of home-based ABA programs (with an emphasis on B.F. Skinner's Analysis of Verbal Behavior). Training for parents, therapists, and teachers.

Consultant Rate: \$125.00/hour

Therapist Rate: not applicable, will assist families in hiring and training therapists

Clinic: does offer an in clinic option where instructors are provided

Does not accept insurance.

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

Little Leaves Behavioral Services

Amie Perl or Melody Valier

9545 Georgia Ave

Silver Spring, MD 20910-1438443-847-7246

202-420-8359

info@littleleaves.org

www.littleleaves.org

Baltimore Office:

7401 Park Heights Avenue

Baltimore, MD 21208

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. We are in line with other ABA providers. Please call for rates. Does accept insurance.

Little Red Car ABA Services, LLC

2003 Westchester Avenue
Catonsville, MD 21228
443-201-2217
443-341-4177 (fax)
requestinfo@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
Does accept insurance.

Optimal Beginnings, LLC

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301-718-1766 (fax)
dvgold@optimalbeginning.com
www.optimalbeginning.com

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

Consultant rate: \$125.00/hour (or negotiated insurance rate)
Therapist rate: \$40.00/hour (or negotiated insurance rate)
Does accept insurance.

The Shafer Center

Alanna Ditman
11500 Cronridge Drive, Suite 130
Owings Mills, MD 21117

410-517-1113

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www.thshafercenter.com

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

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

In home therapist rate: \$25.00/hour + \$0.70/mile (does allow family hiring of therapists, will train/assist hiring)

Center based therapist rate: \$43/hour

Does not accept insurance.

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

Snowflakes ABA

Dannene Drummond, BCBA, LBA

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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: \$85.00/hour for collaborative funding clients.

Therapist rate: Does allow family hiring of therapists. Will train/assist hiring. May provide therapists/rate commensurate with experience. May provide direct services.

Does accept insurance.

The SPARKS Group, LLC

Carolyn Young, Administrative Director

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Laurel, MD 20725

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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: \$100.00/hour (BCBA)
Therapist rate: \$40.00/hr (does not allow family hiring of therapists)
Does accept insurance.

Spectrum, LLC

Heather Hooper, MA, BCBA, LBA
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Service Description: Home, School, and Community based ABA consulting services for children aged 2-12 using discrete trial and verbal behavior methodologies. Additional services include functional behavior analysis (FBA), development of behavior intervention plans (BIP), social skills training, parent/staff training, BCBA/BCaBA supervision, and IEP development/advocacy.

Consultant rate: \$85.00/hour (BCBA)
Therapist rate: varies, will assist families in hiring and training therapists or families may hire their own.
Does accept insurance.

Verbal Beginnings

Mallory Alvey, Family Relations Specialist
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Perry Hall, MD 21128
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www.verbalbeginnings.com

Service Description: Verbal Beginnings provides services in the area of behavior management, communication, social skills, and in-home feeding. BCBAs conduct initial assessments, develop individualized treatment plans, and train ABA technicians to provide 1:1 therapy following the treatment plans.

Consultant rate: \$100.00/hour
Therapist rate: \$50.00/hr (does not allow family hiring of therapists)
Does accept insurance.

Social Beginnings

Nikki Stewart, MS, BCBA
Various locations in community
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nikki@verbalbeginnings.com
www.verbalbeginnings.com

Service Description: Social Beginnings offers year round Social Thinking ® based groups in the form of After-School Programs and Summer Camps. The Social Beginnings' curriculum is based on Michelle Garcia Winner's Social Thinking ®. Rather than teaching the social skills, we teach the "why" behind the skill. Using this approach helps motivate children to self-assess and self-monitor their social skills. We address perspective taking, understanding the behavior-feeling connection, reading intentions, self-regulation, conversation and much more! Our groups are lead by a Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBAs) who have a thorough understanding of systematically and positively shaping new skills and behaviors. We also individualize goals and curriculum to meet the needs of each child. Enrolled families receive parent training sessions progress report updates, educational articles, and other forms of communication to support generalization! Social Beginnings uses a screening process in order to match children in small groups according to their age and social functioning levels. This is imperative for the group to fully benefit from the curriculum.

Consultant rate: Please contact for rates

Therapist rate: Please contact for rates

Does accept insurance.

**This is community and group based