

Guidelines for using the *Autism diagnostic evaluation results form*

Starting Jan. 1, 2024, members can obtain an autism evaluation using one of the methods described in the document [Obtaining an autism diagnostic evaluation and finding treatment](#).

If you choose to record the results of the autism evaluation on the [Autism diagnostic evaluation results form](#), here are the guidelines to follow:

- Be sure you're using the current version of the form, which is dated Jan. 1, 2024, or later. The older versions of the form include fax numbers that should no longer be used.
- Record the diagnosis on the form, whether or not it's an autism diagnosis.
- Don't fax the form. Give it to the member or to the member's parent/guardian along with the components of the evaluation. The member gives the form and the evaluation components to the treating practitioner.

Note: We're still receiving the older forms from approved autism evaluation centers. Faxing these forms to Blue Cross and BCN — instead of giving them to the member or to the member's parent or guardian — can delay the members getting the treatment they need.

- The treating provider submits the form and the evaluation components to Blue Cross Behavioral HealthSM when they request prior authorization.

We've updated the document [Blue Cross Behavioral Health: Frequently asked questions for providers](#) to include this information. Providers can access that document on our erefferrals.bcbsm.com website, on these pages:

- [Blue Cross Autism](#)
- [BCN Autism](#)
- [Blue Cross Behavioral Health](#)
- [BCN Behavioral Health](#)

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