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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH AND  
SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES

Dear Intensive Behavioral Health Services (IBHS)/Behavioral Health Rehabilitation Services (BHRS) Provider:

The Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (OMHSAS), the Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL) and the Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) have partnered to offer the following training opportunity to IBHS/BHRS Providers who serve young children and their families.

### ***The Autism Navigator for Providers: Knowledge and Skills Course***

This opportunity is being offered at no cost during 2020 for up to 500 Behavioral Consultants and Mobile Therapists. Developed by Florida State University, this online interactive course offers 30 hours of self-paced training related to early detection of autism, collaborating with families and evidence-based intervention strategies. All content focuses on young children with autism.

Please see the attached information regarding the course, eligibility requirements and steps, and the approval for IBHS training hours via OMHSAS, and Behavior Specialist Licensure via the BSASP and registration. You may also access this information on the [EITA Portal's Autism](#) page.

We hope you and your staff will take advantage of this opportunity.

Sincerely,

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***Attachments: Enrollment Guide for Autism Navigator for IBHS Providers  
Enrollment Agreement for Autism Navigator***