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Bill Analysis

SB 1566 expands the medical necessity criteria for applied behavior analysis services covered under the state Medicaid program to include a definitive diagnosis of an autism spectrum disorder (ASD) by certain health care providers outlined in the measure. The measure prohibits the Oklahoma Health Care Authority from imposing a general policy that requires all Medicaid members receiving covered applied behavior analysis services to be re-diagnosed with or receive subsequent clinical assessments for ASD. A diagnosis of ASD shall remain indefinitely accepted unless otherwise clinically indicated. The measure authorizes contractors to use telehealth for supervision of applied behavior analysis treatment professionals by a board-certified behavior analyst.

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