



## When is TBS Inappropriate?

1. TBS services cannot be provided solely:
  - For the convenience of the family or other caregivers, physician, or teacher
  - To provide supervision or to assure compliance with terms and conditions of probation
  - To ensure the child/youth's physical safety or the safety of others, e.g., suicide watch
  - To address conditions that are not part of the child/youth's mental health condition

**Furthermore, TBS services are not for:**

2. Children/youth who can sustain non-impulsive self directed behavior, handle themselves appropriately in social situations with peers, and who are able to appropriately handle transitions during the day.
3. Children/youth who will never be able to sustain non-impulsive self-directed behavior and engage in appropriate community activities without full-time supervision, or
4. Children/youth who are currently admitted on an inpatient psychiatric hospital, psychiatric health facility, nursing facility, IMD, or crisis residential program.
5. TBS is not intended to supplant the child or youth's other mental health services provided by other mental health staff.

**"Our Mission is to be a catalyst for sustained improvement in the lives of those we touch"**

## Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS)



**Above and Beyond, Keeping Children and Families Together**



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## What is TBS?

Therapeutic Behavioral Services are intensive, individualized, one-to-one, short term outpatient treatment interventions for children/youth up to age 21 who experience serious emotional challenges, are experiencing a stressful transition or life crisis and need additional short-term specific services to accomplish outcomes specific in their individualized treatment plan.

TBS is available to those children/youth that are eligible for a full array of Medi-Cal benefits without restrictions or limitations (full-scope Medi-Cal). TBS can help children/youth and parents/caregivers, foster parents, group home staff, and school staff or others to learn new ways of reducing and managing challenging behaviors as well as strategies and skills to increase the kinds of behavior that will allow children/youth to be successful in their current environment.



## Who Qualifies for TBS?



In addition to meeting medical necessity criteria, TBS recipients must also meet "class criteria." The class criteria define a certified class that is eligible for TBS services. The following is a description of the certified class of child/youth.

- Child/Youth placed in a group facility of RCL 12 or above and/or locked treatment facility for the treatment of mental health needs or
- Child/Youth is being considered by the county for placement in a facility described above
- Child/Youth has undergone at least one emergency psychiatric hospitalization related to his/her current presenting disability within the preceding 24 months, or
- Child/Youth previously received TBS while a member of the certified class

## How do I Access TBS?

You may access Therapeutic Behavioral Services through your current Medi-Cal Clinician or by contacting the following:

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