

The Ministry of Children and Youth Services has launched a new province wide **Applied Behaviour Analysis (ABA)** service to assist children and youth to build skills in four areas:

- 1, Communication,
- 2, behaviour management/emotional regulation,
- 3, social/interpersonal, and
- 4, daily living.

Children and youth will receive group based ABA instruction in their highest priority area of need. Treatment groups will be structured to provide appropriate intervention based on their learner levels. Each group will typically be provided 2 to 4 hours per week, for 10 to 12 weeks. Parents and caregivers will also receive training in a group setting.

ABA is an approach based on the scientific principles of learning, which is used to teach new adaptive behaviours and replace problem behaviours.

Children and youth up to their 18th birthday can receive services if they have a confirmed Autism Spectrum diagnosis including Autism/Autistic Disorder, Pervasive Developmental Disorder-Not Specified (PDD-NOS), and Asperger's Disorder.

**wm+a** and **AlphaBee** are pleased to offer the following ABA groups to your child *at no cost*, funded by Toronto Autism ABA Services:

- 1, Behaviour management/emotional regulation,
- 2, Social/interpersonal skills

In order to receive this service through **wm+a** / **AlphaBee**, your child must live in Toronto, and **must not** have been registered with, have received, or be waiting for service from Toronto Autism ABA Services. To ensure that the most children are able to receive services, parents already registered with Toronto Autism ABA Services **will not** be able to receive ABA services through **wm+a** / **AlphaBee**.

If you would like your child to receive this service, please call **416.367.5968** and *ask for ABA group registration*.