

# AHOY !!!



SOS provides ABA Therapy for Children with Autism, coupled with Parent Training.

We focus on helping all children develop self-control, independence, and a positive self-concept in a fun, engaging environment.

We succeed when you succeed!

## HIGH QUALITY ABA



**SOS Franchising** Best Child Behavioral Therapy Franchise 2020



We believe that quality is the key to a child's success.

As the top ABA franchise in the country, we have created a manual of best ABA practice guidelines for our centers. Success On The Spectrum is establishing a standard of excellence that is unmatched in the ABA industry.

Our operational standards ensure that our RBTs receive quality training, our BCBAs provide close supervision, and that our ABA programs are informed by the latest science.

We are proud to hold the rare BHCOE Accreditation, which proves that we have a commitment to continuous improvement. We have been distinguished as a provider that cares about quality, parent satisfaction, and staff satisfaction.



Our ABA programs address all relevant topics that will help increase your child's independence and promote high quality of life.

We focus on the verbal Behavior approach of ABA and put emphasis on language development and socialization. We use a mixture of Discrete Trial Training (DTT) and Natural Environment Training (NET), according to the child's needs.

Our Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBAs) create tailored programs that help clients reach their individual potential by developing socially significant goals identified through customized assessments.

Our Registered Behavior Therapists (RBTs) will motivate changes in behavior through play and reward systems.

Our two main focuses are to help your child acquire new skills and reduce problem behavior



## <u>OPTIONS</u>

### **IN CENTER**

Our nautical centers are open Monday through Friday 8:00am-4:00pm year-round. Our school-like environment allows us to focus on social skills and communication skills.

Children alternate between private lessons and group activities throughout the day. Each child has their own therapist at all times.

Each week, your child will enjoy sensory friendly activities, like **music**, **art**, **and fitness classes**. Every other week, we take a **field trip**!

After-care programs and Saturday sessions available at select locations.

## IN HOME

For children that attend school during the day, our therapists will deliver ABA in your home Monday through Thursday 4:30pm-6:30pm. The home setting allows us to focus on independence and self-help skills.

We may travel with you to practice independence skills in other natural environments, such as grocery stores, malls, or movie theaters.

In-home services require that an adult be present at all times during sessions. You must live within 10 miles of our center. All in-home clients must be completely free of aggressive behaviors. Saturday sessions available at select locations. Mileage fees may apply.

### SCHOOL SHADOWING

Special needs children sometimes require a little extra assistance. Teachers are not always able to interrupt a lesson to provide that extra help.

Our therapists are specially trained to discreetly collect data within the classroom. Our goal is to quietly assist your child's teacher in optimizing the learning experience and encourage growth in your child's social skills.

## <u>CENTER ARRANGEMENTS</u>

Children are grouped according to their developmental level.









#### **CREW: OCEAN**

Children requiring substantial support. Scores level 1 on the VB-MAPP: 0- 18 month skills. Severe deficits in verbal and nonverbal social communication skills, very limited initiation of social interactions, and/or aggressive behaviors.

Child does most ABA in his private stateroom to avoid distractions. The child attends one or two group activities to promote parallel play. Most goals focus on reducing problem behaviors and acquiring communication skills.

#### **CREW: VOYAGERS**

Children requiring support. Scores level 2 on the VB-MAPP: 18- 30 month skills. Some deficits in verbal and nonverbal social communication skills; apparent social impairments; limited initiation of social

interactions; Difficulty switching between activities.

The child shares a stateroom with another child to acclimate to distractions. The child attends a few group activities to promote cooperative play. Most goals focus on verbal communication and social skills.

#### **CREW: SAILORS**

Children requiring limited support. Scores level 3 on the VB-MAPP: 30- 48 month skills. Difficulty in problem solving, social interactions, independence, and generalization.

The child does most ABA in groups in a mock classroom or room with multiple distractions. Most goals are focused on advanced communication, school transitioning, social skills, and self-help skills.

#### **CREW: CAPTAINS**

Children requiring support. Mastered out of the VB-MAPP. Difficulty initiating and/or disinterested in social interactions and has atypical or unsuccessful responses to social overtures of others. Problems of organization and planning hamper independence. The child may already attend a mainstream school. ABA occurs in the home setting, or in a public place. Most goals focus on independence skills and advanced social skills.

## FIELD TRIPS

We believe that learning shouldn't just occur at a desk or table located in a therapy room, but in a variety of environments and locations.

Success On The Spectrum's ABA program also incorporates field trips! Outings strengthen the skills that have been developed within our center and promote generalization.

While often challenging for a child with autism spectrum disorder, practicing skills in different environments help them to become "Community Ready". Parents are encouraged to come along on field trips, but it is not required.



## CAREGIVER TRAINING



When it comes to righting a child's ship, we need all hands on deck!

Parent involvement is a requirement.

Each week, we will provide training sessions to parents, grandparents, siblings and babysitters. Our lessons help caregivers to manage problem behaviors at home and implement a routine that will ease your daily struggles.

We will also help establish functional communication between you and your child.

## ACCESS PROGRESS REPORTS

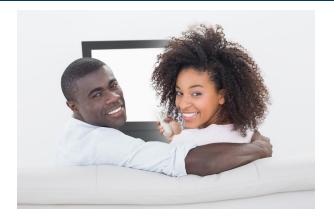
Our BCBAs frequently meet with parents to discuss program creation and implementation.

In addition, all of your child's medical records will be stored on our secure Catalyst website.



You will be given a username and password. You can log in at any time to view your child's progress data.

## WATCH THE ACTION



SOS Centers are equipped with video/audio surveillance.

Come in at any time to discreetly watch your child and the therapists in action! Our doors are always open!

### COST OF ABA

SOS accepts private health insurance! All you owe is your copay!

Once therapy starts, SOS will bill your insurance for you. At the end of each month, you will receive an invoice with the copay balance. You can pay with cash, check, or creditcard.



## TOUR OUR CENTER



SOS invites you to come aboard and have a look around! Find a location near you on our <u>website</u>.

View our **private staterooms**, where children have a distraction-free environment to learn new skills. Discover our **Art Room**, where children learn fine motor function and do sensory projects. Explore our **Play Room**, where pretend play is found. Navigate to our **restrooms**, where we potty train and teach handwashing and teethbrushing skills. Scout our **Social Room**, where children play social games for practice!

## HOW TO START

Please fill out our <u>Admissions Form</u>. It is EXTREMELY helpful if you also send us records/reports from previous ABA services, Speech Therapy reports, or Occupational Therapy reports.

Once you submit the completed admissions form and diagnosis paperwork, we apply to your insurance for preauthorization for an initial assessment. They usually take about a week to respond. We will then schedule the initial assessment on a day that you are available (the assessment lasts from 9:00am-3:00pm).

After the assessment is completed, the analyst needs a week or two to complete the long results report. The BCBA will meet with you to discuss her recommendations. Once you agree on the number of hours of treatment per week that you want, we apply to your health insurance for preauthorization. This again takes another week for them to respond.

So all in all, application to treatment start date is about a month.



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