

# ‘Best Practices for IBHS’ Webinar Series Led by Psychologist Advisor, John Siegler, PsyD

With Intensive Behavioral Health Services (IBHS) approaching a one-year anniversary of its full implementation in January 2022, Magellan Behavioral Health of Pennsylvania (Magellan) has been working in close partnership with our county partners, providers, and other stakeholders to host a series of webinars titled, “Best Practices for IBHS.” This webinar series is led by John Siegler, PsyD, psychology advisor for Magellan, and the primary goal is to share best practices experienced through the IBHS implementation with the provider community to create improvements in service delivery for our members.

The first webinar was hosted in July, and was titled, “Best Practices for IBHS: Assessment.” The second webinar was hosted in September, and was titled, “Best Practices in Treatment Planning for IBHS Agencies.”

Most recently, Magellan hosted the third webinar in November, and Dr. Siegler was joined by fellow Magellan presenters to include Emily Kocher, MS LPC, lead autism care manager, and Keisha Moeller, MS BCBA LBS, autism clinical care manager. The title of the third presentation was, “Best Practices for IBHS: Generalization and Transfer of Skill,” and the slides can be viewed [here](#). The goals for this webinar were as follows:

- Assessment and facilitation of skill generalization.
- Helping caregivers understand their role in the child’s treatment.
- Partnerships with school/daycare staff.
- Assessment of caregiver skill set at baseline.
- Including specific parent goals in treatment planning.
- Explanation of transfer of skills for caregivers.
- Engagement of caregivers on skill implementation.
- Measurement of skills transfers.
- Transfer of skills and discharge planning.

Dr. Siegler is a licensed psychologist with over 20 years of clinical, supervisory, and management experience in acute in-patient, psychiatric residential, intensive home-based, school-based, and outpatient treatment settings. He has extensive experience providing comprehensive psychological evaluation services (biopsychosocial diagnostic assessments, psycho-educational assessments, and specialized evaluations) for children and adolescents, and individual and family therapy services. In his current role, Dr. Siegler is focused on helping behavioral healthcare providers achieve the goal of providing effective and accountable treatment services to the individuals and families they serve.

Before joining the Magellan team in 2020, Dr. Siegler provided a variety of consultation services including educational consultation services to charter schools in Philadelphia and forensic evaluation services on behalf of children and adolescents at the Philadelphia Family Court and Bucks County Juvenile Court. He has provided staff training to behavioral health providers on a variety of topics related to clinical excellence and clinical accountability. Dr. Siegler earned his Doctorate of Psychology in Clinical Psychology from Chestnut Hill College in Philadelphia with a specialization in psychological assessment. He also earned a Master of Science in Counseling Psychology & Human Services with a specialization in marital & family therapy from Chestnut Hill College.

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