

Medicaid Well Child check-ups and the American Academy of Pediatrics' (AAP) Schedule Include:

Screening Services:

- **A comprehensive health history** including assessment of both physical and mental health development.
- **Comprehensive unclothed physical exam.**
- **Appropriate immunizations** using the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) for pediatric vaccines schedule.
- **Laboratory tests** including heredity/metabolic screening (Michigan):
Birth: biotinidase, congenital adrenal hyperplasia, galactosemia, hemoglobinopathies, hypothyroidism, maple syrup urine disease, phenylketonuria, sickle cell
Childhood/adolescence: sickle cell, hemoglobin & hematocrit, lead toxicity (birth-5 years)
- **Health Education**
 - Includes anticipatory guidance regarding safety, nutrition, exercise, and physical and mental development; and counseling to children, parents and/or guardians.
 - The purpose of health education is to (a) assist the parent and/or guardian in understanding what to expect relative to their child's development; and b) provide information on the benefits of healthy lifestyles and practices, and accident and disease prevention.
- **Vision Services**
 - Includes the diagnosis and treatment of defects in vision.
 - Must be provided according to the periodicity schedule.
- **Hearing Services**
 - Includes the diagnosis and treatment of defects in hearing, including hearing aids.
 - Includes newborn screening.
- **Dental Services**
In accordance with the periodicity schedule the following dental services are to be provided:
 - relief of pain and infections;
 - restoration of teeth;
 - maintenance of dental health;
 - direct referral to a dentist by age 3 or sooner if indicated.

Diagnosis

- Order diagnostic services based on needs identified during the examination;
- Provide for immediate referral when indicated;
- Follow-up to assure the services are received.

Treatment

- Provide treatment for all of the child's health care needs.
- Provide treatment or other measures to correct or ameliorate defects, physical and mental illnesses, or any other condition(s) discovered through the screening services.

In addition, Medicaid has more stringent requirements for:

Lead Toxicity Screening

All Medicaid children are considered at risk and must be screened for lead poisoning at 12 and 24 months of age. If the child is 25 to 72 months of age and there is no record of a screening blood test, a lead toxicity screening must be performed.

Dental Services

All Medicaid children must have an inspection of the oral cavity at each well child visit whether or not the teeth have erupted. The examination must be documented in the medical record.

Interpretive Conference

Medicaid requires that the practitioner explain the results of the well child check-up to the child, parent and/or guardian. The discussion including the findings of the check-up, and any tests, procedures and referrals must be documented in the medical record.

Medicaid-eligible children are entitled to receive a comprehensive package of preventive health care that includes all well child care recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) child health program (OBRA 89). Beneficiary participation is voluntary.

Responsibilities of Primary Care Practitioners include:

- √ Arrange for or provide well child check-ups and document the care provided.
- √ Arrange referral for other preventive health care and medically necessary services to treat identified conditions.
- √ Provide for or help arrange transportation.
- √ Report outcomes to the Michigan Department of Community Health and/or the appropriate Medicaid health plan.
- √ See the inside page for a summary of Medicaid well child scheduled services.

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