

EARLY & PERIODIC SCREENING DIAGNOSIS & TREATMENT

HEALTHTRACK (EPSDT) SERVICES

Comprehensive child health care services to recipients under 21 years of age, including all medically necessary screening, diagnosis, and treatment services listed in Section 1905 (r) of the Social Security Act. This includes, but is not limited to the following:

1. Initial & Periodic Comprehensive Health Screenings

- a comprehensive health and developmental history
- a comprehensive unclothed physical examination
- appropriate immunizations based on age and history
- appropriate laboratory tests
- health education
- vision and hearing screenings

2. Dental Care

Those dental services provided by or under the direction of a dentist, to include relief of pain and infections, restoration of teeth and maintenance of dental health such as exams, bitewings and fluoride treatments.

3. Administration and Interpretation of Developmental Tests

Objective standardized tests, recognized by the Connecticut Birth-to-Three Council, for further diagnosis and treatment of problems found during a comprehensive health screen or interperiodic encounter.

4. Case Management Services

Initial and ongoing case management assessment and periodic reassessment, including development of a plan of services and revision as necessary.

5. Interperiodic Encounters

An encounter, visit, follow-up visit or screening that is necessary to determine and/or treat a problem that was not evident at a previously scheduled periodic screening, but must be addressed prior to the next screening.

6. Personal Care Services

Services for a child who has a diagnosed disability and is judged to benefit from personal care service activities as the result of a periodic health screen or interperiodic encounter with a PCP.

7. HealthTrack Special Services

Other medically necessary health care, diagnostic services, treatment or other measures that meet the definition of medical necessity and are medically appropriate.

COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH SCREENINGS

Periodic comprehensive health screening for established members, performed in accordance with the recommended intervals in the Periodicity Schedule, shall be limited to:

- Six screenings per child under one year of age, per provider (for newborns discharged less than 48 hours after delivery, an additional visit is added).
- Four screenings per child between one year of age and under three years of age, per provider.
- One screening annually per child beginning at three years of age to six years of age, per provider. Screenings should be spaced as close to an annual interval as possible.

Please note: Although the AAP Periodicity Schedule recommended guidelines state one screening every two years per child at seven to eight years of age and nine to ten years of age, per provider, WellCare approves one screening **annually** per child at seven to ten years of age. Screenings should be spaced as close to an annual interval as possible.

- One screening every year per child beginning at eleven years of age through age twenty, up to, but not including, the twenty-first birthday, per provider. Screenings should be spaced as close to an annual interval as possible

An initial periodic comprehensive health screening for a new member, performed in accordance with the Periodicity Schedule, shall be limited to one initial screening per child, per provider, except when the provider's relationship with the child has been discontinued for at least three years and is then reinstated. Discontinuance of the relationship means that the provider has not seen the child for three years from the date of the last encounter with the child.

PROCEDURE CODES EXPLANATIONS

99431	History and examination of the normal newborn infant, initiation of diagnostic and treatment programs, and preparation of hospital records (this code should also be used for birthing room deliveries).
99381	Initial evaluation and management of a healthy individual requiring a comprehensive history, a comprehensive examination, the identification of risk factors, and the ordering of appropriate laboratory/diagnostic procedures. New Patient: infant (under 1 year of age).
99382	Same as 99381. New Patient: Early Childhood (1 through 4 years of age).
99383	Same as 99381. New Patient: Late Childhood (5 through 11 years of age).
99384	Same as 99381. New Patient: Adolescent (12 through 17 years of age).
99385	Same as 99381. New Patient: 18 through 20 years of age.
99391	Periodic re-evaluation and management of a healthy individual requiring a comprehensive history, a comprehensive examination, the identification of risk factors, and the ordering of appropriate laboratory/diagnostic procedures. Established Patient: Infant (under 1 year of age).
99392	Same as 99391. Established Patient: Early Childhood (1 through 4 years of age).
99393	Same as 99391. Established Patient: Late Childhood (5 through 11 years of age).
99394	Same as 99391. Established Patient: Adolescent (12 through 17 years of age).
99395	Same as 99391. Established Patient: 18 through 20 years of age.

Please Note: Evaluation & Management Codes (99201-205 & 99211-215) can be used for EPSDT, but must be accompanied with the following diagnosis codes: V20-V20.2, V70.3-V70.9. For dental and vision coding, consult appropriate subcontractor.