

2021 Preventive Schedule

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Plan your care: Know what you need and when to get it

Preventive or routine care helps us stay well or finds problems early, when they are easier to treat. The preventive guidelines on this schedule depend on your age, gender, health, and family history. As a part of your health plan, you may be eligible to receive some of these preventive benefits with little to no cost sharing when using in-network providers. Make sure you know what is covered by your health plan and any requirements before you receive any of these services.

Some services and their frequency may depend on your doctor's advice. That's why it's important to talk with your doctor about the services that are right for you. CHIP members may have additional preventive services and coverage. Please check the CHIP member booklet for further details of CHIP coverage of preventive services.

Questions?



Adults: Ages 19+



GENERAL HEALTH CARE

	Preventive Exam* (This exam is not the work- or school-related physical)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ages 19 to 49: Every 1 to 2 years Ages 50 and older: Once a year
	Depression Screening	Once a year
	Pelvic, Breast Exam	Once a year

SCREENINGS/PROCEDURES

	Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening	Ages 65 to 75 who have ever smoked: One-time screening
	Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitoring	To confirm new diagnosis of high blood pressure before starting treatment
	Breast Cancer Genetic (BRCA) Screening (Requires prior authorization)	Those meeting specific high-risk criteria: One-time genetic assessment for breast and ovarian cancer risk
	Cholesterol (Lipid) Screening	Annually
	Colon Cancer Screening and Certain Colonoscopy Preps With Prescription	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ages 50 and older: Once a year High-risk: Earlier or more frequently
	Complete Blood Count (CBC)	Annually
	Diabetes Screening	High-risk: Ages 40 and older, once every 3 years
	Hepatitis B Screening	High-risk
	Hepatitis C Screening	Ages 18-79

* Preventive Exam could include health history; physical; height, weight, and blood pressure measures; body mass index (BMI) assessment; counseling for obesity, fall prevention, skin cancer, and safety; depression screening; alcohol and drug abuse, and tobacco use assessment; age-appropriate guidance, and intimate partner violence screening and counseling for reproductive age women.



SCREENINGS/PROCEDURES

	Latent Tuberculosis Screening	High-risk
	Lung Cancer Screening (Requires prior authorization and use of authorized facility)	Ages 55 to 80 with 30-pack per year history: Once a year for current smokers, or once a year if currently smoking or quit within past 15 years
	Mammogram	Ages 40 and older: Once a year including 3D (If you have/had cancer or your mammogram is positive, annual MRIs follow your diagnostic benefits)
	Osteoporosis (Bone Mineral Density) Screening	Ages 65 and older: Once every 2 years, or younger if at risk as recommended by physician
	Cervical Cancer Screening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ages 21 to 65 PAP: Every 3 years, or annually, per doctor's advice • Ages 30 to 65: Every 5 years if HPV only or combined PAP and HPV are negative • Ages 65 and older: Per doctor's advice
	Prostate Cancer Screening	Discussion of risks/benefits of prostate cancer screening. Testing may include annual Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) and/or digital rectal exam
	Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Screenings and Counseling (Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, HIV, and Syphilis)	Sexually active males and females
	Urinalysis	Annually

IMMUNIZATIONS

	Chicken Pox (Varicella)	Adults with no history of chicken pox: One 2-dose series
	Diphtheria, Tetanus (Td/Tdap)	One dose Tdap, then Td or Tdap booster every 10 years
	Flu (Influenza)	Every year
	Haemophilus Influenzae Type B (Hib)	For adults with certain medical conditions to prevent meningitis, pneumonia, and other serious infections; this vaccine does not provide protection against the flu and does not replace the annual flu vaccine
	Hepatitis A	At-risk or per doctor's advice: One 2- or 3-dose series
	Hepatitis B	At-risk or per doctor's advice: One 2- or 3-dose series
	Human Papillomavirus (HPV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To age 26: One 3-dose series • Beginning on 7/1/2020: Ages 27-45, at-risk or per doctor's advice
	Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	One or two doses
	Meningitis*	At-risk or per doctor's advice
	Pneumonia	High-risk or ages 65 and older: One or two doses, per lifetime
	Shingles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zostavax - Ages 60 and older: One dose • Shingrix - Ages 50 and older: Two doses

* Meningococcal B vaccine per doctor's advice.

PREVENTIVE DRUG MEASURES THAT REQUIRE A DOCTOR'S PRESCRIPTION

 Aspirin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ages 50 to 59, to reduce the risk of stroke and heart attack • Pregnant women at risk for preeclampsia
 Folic Acid	Women planning or capable of pregnancy: Daily supplement containing .4 to .8 mg of folic acid
 Chemoprevention drugs such as raloxifene, tamoxifen, or aromatase** inhibitor beginning on 7/1/2020	At risk for breast cancer, without a cancer diagnosis, ages 35 and older
 Tobacco Cessation (Counseling and medication)	Adults who use tobacco products
 Low to Moderate Dose Select Generic Statin Drugs for Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease (CVD)	Ages 40 to 75 years with 1 or more CVD risk factors (such as dyslipidemia, diabetes, hypertension, or smoking) and have calculated 10-year risk of a cardiovascular event of 10% or greater
 Select PrEP Drugs for Prevention of HIV Infection	Adults at risk for HIV infection, without an HIV diagnosis

PREVENTIVE CARE FOR PREGNANT WOMEN

 Screenings and Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gestational diabetes screening • Hepatitis B screening and immunization, if needed • HIV screening • Syphilis screening • Smoking cessation counseling • Depression screening during pregnancy and postpartum • Depression prevention counseling during pregnancy and postpartum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rh typing at first visit • Rh antibody testing for Rh-negative women • Tdap with every pregnancy • Urine culture and sensitivity at first visit • Alcohol misuse screening and counseling • Hemoglobin (anemia)
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PREVENTION OF OBESITY, HEART DISEASE, AND DIABETES

 Adults With BMI 25 to 29.9 (Overweight) and 30 to 39.9 (Obese) Are Eligible for:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional annual preventive office visits specifically for obesity and blood pressure measurement • Additional nutritional counseling visits specifically for obesity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommended lab tests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – ALT – AST – Hemoglobin A1c or fasting glucose – Cholesterol screening
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** Aromatase inhibitors effective 7/1/2020 when the other drugs can't be used such as when there is a contraindication or they are not tolerated.

2021 Preventive Schedule

Plan your child's care: Know what your child needs and when to get it

Preventive or routine care helps your child stay well or finds problems early, when they are easier to treat. Most of these services may not have cost sharing if you use the plan's in-network providers. Make sure you know what is covered by your health plan and any requirements before you schedule any services for your child.

It's important to talk with your child's doctor. The frequency of services, and schedule of screenings and immunizations, depends on what the doctor thinks is right for your child.

Questions?

 Call Member Service

 Ask your doctor

 Log in to your account

Children: Birth to 30 Months¹

GENERAL HEALTH CARE	BIRTH	1M	2M	4M	6M	9M	12M	15M	18M	24M	30M	
Routine Checkup* (This exam is not the preschool- or day care-related physical.)	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Hearing Screening	●											
SCREENINGS												
Autism Screening									●	●		
Critical Congenital Heart Disease (CCHD) Screening With Pulse Oximetry	●											
Developmental Screening						●			●		●	
Hematocrit or Hemoglobin Screening							●					
Lead Screening						●	●			●		
Newborn Blood Screening and Bilirubin	●											
IMMUNIZATIONS												
Chicken Pox											Dose 1	
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP)				Dose 1	Dose 2	Dose 3					Dose 4	
Flu (Influenza)**											Ages 6 months to 30 months: 1 or 2 doses annually	
Haemophilus Influenzae Type B (Hib)				Dose 1	Dose 2	Dose 3					Dose 4	
Hepatitis A									Dose 1		Dose 2	
Hepatitis B	Dose 1	Dose 2				Dose 3						
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)									Dose 1			
Pneumonia				Dose 1	Dose 2	Dose 3			Dose 4			
Polio (IPV)				Dose 1	Dose 2	Ages 6 months to 18 months: Dose 3						
Rotavirus				Dose 1	Dose 2	Dose 3						

* Routine checkup** could include height and weight measures, behavioral and developmental assessment, and age-appropriate guidance. Additional: Instrument vision screening to assess risk for ages 1 and 2 years.

** Must get at your PCP's office or designated pharmacy vaccination provider. Call Member Service to verify that your vaccination provider is in the Highmark network.

Children: 3 Years to 18 Years¹

GENERAL HEALTH CARE	3Y	4Y	5Y	6Y	7Y	8Y	9Y	10Y	11Y	12Y	15Y	18Y	
Routine Checkup* (This exam is not the preschool- or day care-related physical)	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	Once a year from ages 11 to 18				
Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitoring**												●	
Depression Screening									Once a year from ages 11 to 18				
Hearing Screening***		●	●	●		●		●		●	●	●	
Visual Screening***	●	●	●	●		●		●		●	●	●	
SCREENINGS													
Hematocrit or Hemoglobin Screening			Annually for females during adolescence and when indicated										
Lead Screening	When indicated (Please also refer to your state-specific recommendations)												
Cholesterol (Lipid) Screening								Once between ages 9-11 and ages 17-21					
IMMUNIZATIONS													
Chicken Pox		Dose 2								If not previously vaccinated: Dose 1 and 2 (4 weeks apart)			
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP)		Dose 5						One dose Tdap					
Flu (Influenza)****	Ages 3 to 18: 1 or 2 doses annually												
Human Papillomavirus (HPV)							Provides long-term protection against cervical and other cancers. 2 doses when started ages 9-14. 3 doses, all other ages.						
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)		Dose 2											
Meningitis*****								Dose 1			Age 16: One-time booster		
Pneumonia	Per doctor's advice												
Polio (IPV)		Dose 4											
CARE FOR PATIENTS WITH RISK FACTORS													
BRCA Mutation Screening (Requires prior authorization)					Per doctor's advice								
Cholesterol Screening	Screening will be done based on the child's family history and risk factors												
Fluoride Varnish (Must use primary care doctor)	Ages 5 and younger												
Hepatitis B Screening									Per doctor's advice				
Hepatitis C Screening											High-risk		
Latent Tuberculosis Screening												High-risk	
Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Screenings and Counseling (Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, HIV, and Syphilis)									For all sexually active individuals HIV routine check once between ages 15-18				
Tuberculin Test	Per doctor's advice												

* Routine checkup could include height and weight measures, behavioral and developmental assessment, and age-appropriate guidance; alcohol and drug abuse, and tobacco use assessment. ** To confirm new diagnosis of high blood pressure before starting treatment. *** Hearing screening once between ages 11-14, 15-17, and 18-21. Vision screening covered when performed in doctor's office by having the child read letters of various sizes on a Snellen chart. Includes instrument vision screening for ages 3, 4, and 5 years. A comprehensive vision exam is performed by an ophthalmologist or optometrist and requires a vision benefit. **** Must get at your PCP's office or designated pharmacy vaccination provider. Call Member Service to verify that your vaccination provider is in the Highmark network. ***** Meningococcal B vaccine per doctor's advice.

Children: 6 Months to 18 Years¹

PREVENTIVE DRUG MEASURES THAT REQUIRE A DOCTOR'S PRESCRIPTION

Iron	Routine supplementation for asymptomatic children from 6 to 12 months who are at increased risk for iron deficiency anemia
Oral Fluoride	For preschool children older than 6 months whose primary water source is deficient in fluoride

PREVENTION OF OBESITY AND HEART DISEASE

Children With a BMI in the 85th to 94th Percentile (Overweight) and the 95th to 98th Percentile (Obese) Are Eligible For:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional annual preventive office visits specifically for obesity • Additional nutritional counseling visits specifically for obesity • Recommended lab tests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Alanine aminotransferase (ALT) – Aspartate aminotransferase (AST) – Hemoglobin A1c or fasting glucose (FBS) – Cholesterol screening
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Women's Health Preventive Schedule

SERVICES

Well-Woman Visits (Includes: preconception and first prenatal visit, urinary incontinence screening)	Up to 4 visits each year for age and developmentally appropriate preventive services
Contraception (Birth Control) Methods and Discussion*	All women planning or capable of pregnancy

SCREENINGS/PROCEDURES

Diabetes Screening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High-risk: At the first prenatal visit • All women between 24 and 28 weeks pregnant • Postpartum women without Diabetes but with a history of gestational diabetes
HIV Screening and Discussion	All sexually active women: Once a year
Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Screening Testing	Beginning at age 30: Every 3 years
Domestic and Intimate Partner Violence Screening and Counseling	Once a year
Breast-feeding (Lactation) Support and Counseling, and Costs for Equipment	During pregnancy and/or after delivery (postpartum)
Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI) Discussion	All sexually active women: Once a year
Screening for Anxiety	The Women's Preventive Services Initiative recommends screening for anxiety in adolescent and adult women, including those who are pregnant or postpartum.

* FDA-approved contraceptive methods may include sterilization and procedures as prescribed. One form of contraception in each of the 18 FDA-approved methods is covered without cost sharing. If the doctor recommends a clinical service or FDA-approved item based on medical necessity, there will be no cost sharing.

Information About the Affordable Care Act (ACA) ¹ Information About Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

This schedule is a reference tool for planning your family's preventive care, and lists items and services required under the Affordable Care Act (ACA), as amended. It is reviewed and updated periodically based on the advice of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, laws and regulations, and updates to clinical guidelines established by national medical organizations. Accordingly, the content of this schedule is subject to change. Your specific needs for preventive services may vary according to your personal risk factors. Your doctor is always your best resource for determining if you're at increased risk for a condition. Some services may require prior authorization. If you have questions about this schedule, prior authorizations, or your benefit coverage, please call the Member Service number on the back of your member ID card.

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Because the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) is a government-sponsored program and not subject to ACA, certain preventive benefits may not apply to CHIP members and/or may be subject to copayments.

The ACA authorizes coverage for certain additional preventive care services. These services do not apply to "grandfathered" plans. These plans were established before March 23, 2010, and have not changed their benefit structure. If your health coverage is a grandfathered plan, you would have received notice of this in your benefit materials.

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