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Preventive care benefits for children

Most health plans must cover a set of preventive health services for children at no cost. This includes Marketplace and Medicaid coverage.

IMPORTANT

These services are free only when delivered by a doctor or other provider in your plan's network.


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Coverage for children's preventive health services

All Marketplace health plans and many other plans must cover the following list of preventive services for children without charging you a [copayment](#) or [coinsurance](#). This is true even if you haven't met your yearly [deductible](#).

1. [Alcohol and drug use assessments](#) for adolescents
2. [Autism screening](#) for children at 18 and 24 months
3. Behavioral assessments for children ages: [0 to 11 months](#), [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#), [11 to 14 years](#), [15 to 17 years](#)
4. Blood pressure screening for children ages: [0 to 11 months](#), [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#), [11 to 14 years](#), [15 to 17 years](#)
5. [Cervical dysplasia screening](#) for sexually active females

6. [Depression screening](#) for adolescents
7. [Developmental screening](#) for children under age 3
8. Dyslipidemia screening for children at higher risk of lipid disorders ages: [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#), [11 to 14 years](#), [15 to 17 years](#)
9. [Fluoride chemoprevention supplements](#) for children without fluoride in their water source
10. [Gonorrhea preventive medication](#) for the eyes of all newborns
11. [Hearing screening](#) for all newborns
12. Height, weight and body mass index (BMI) measurements for children ages: [0 to 11 months](#), [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#), [11 to 14 years](#), [15 to 17 years](#)
13. [Hematocrit or hemoglobin screening](#) for all children
14. [Hemoglobinopathies or sickle cell screening](#) for newborns
15. [Hepatitis B screening](#)  for adolescents at high risk, including adolescents from countries with 2% or more Hepatitis B prevalence, and U.S.-born adolescents not vaccinated as infants and with at least one parent born in a region with 8% or more Hepatitis B prevalence: 11 – 17 years.
16. [HIV screening](#) for adolescents at higher risk
17. [Hypothyroidism screening](#) for newborns
18. [Immunization vaccines](#) for children from birth to age 18 — doses, recommended ages, and recommended populations vary:
 - [Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis \(Whooping Cough\)](#)
 - [Haemophilus influenzae type b](#)
 - [Hepatitis A](#)
 - [Hepatitis B](#)
 - [Human Papillomavirus \(PVU\)](#)
 - [Inactivated Poliovirus](#)

- [Influenza \(flu shot\)](#)
 - [Measles](#)
 - [Meningococcal](#)
 - [Pneumococcal](#)
 - [Rotavirus](#)
 - [Varicella \(Chickenpox\)](#)
19. [Iron supplements](#) for children ages 6 to 12 months at risk for anemia
 20. [Lead screening](#) for children at risk of exposure
 21. Medical history for all children throughout development ages: [0 to 11 months](#), [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#), [11 to 14 years](#), [15 to 17 years](#)
 22. [Obesity screening and counseling](#)
 23. Oral health risk assessment for young children ages: [0 to 11 months](#), [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#)
 24. [Phenylketonuria \(PKU\) screening](#) for newborns
 25. [Sexually transmitted infection \(STI\) prevention counseling and screening](#) for adolescents at higher risk
 26. Tuberculin testing for children at higher risk of tuberculosis ages: [0 to 11 months](#), [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#), [11 to 14 years](#), [15 to 17 years](#)
 27. [Vision screening](#) for all children

More information about preventive services for children

- [Preventive services for children age 0 to 11 months](#)
- [Preventive services for children age 1 to 4 years](#)
- [Preventive services for children age 5 to 10 years](#)

- [Preventive services for children age 11 to 14 years](#)
- [Preventive services for children age 15 to 17 years](#)

More on prevention

- [Learn more about preventive care from the CDC.](#)
- See preventive services covered for [adults](#) and [women](#).
- [Learn more about what else Marketplace health insurance plans cover.](#)

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