



EPSDT Program

For Children and Teens Under 21

Give your Child a Healthy Start with EPSDT

What is EPSDT?

EPSDT stands for Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment and is a benefit that provides complete and preventive health care services for children under 21. EPSDT includes periodic screening services, vision, dental and hearing services.

What is the meaning of each word?

Early: Finding problems early, starting at birth.

Periodic: Regular health check-ups for children at the right ages.

Screening: Doing physical, mental, developmental, dental, hearing, vision, and other screening tests to find any issues.

Diagnosis: Doing tests to follow up when a risk is found.

Treatment: Addressing any issues found.



What types of services are covered and what can be expected during an EPSDT screening?

Covered EPSDT services, at minimum, include the following:

- Screening services which include:
- Medical history and physical exams
- Developmental, social, behavioral, and mental health screenings
- Immunizations (shots) as recommended by the CDC's Recommended

Immunization Schedule for Children and Adolescents

- Lab tests (including blood lead level)
- Health education for parents and children
- Check of height, weight, and body mass index
- Nutrition counseling
- Check of heart and lungs
- Referrals when extra services are needed.
- A yearly flu shot
- Vision, hearing, and dental services
- Extra health care services that are needed, like tests, treatments, or fixing health problems found through check-ups.

Why are EPSDT screenings needed?

EPSDT screenings can prevent health issues or diagnoses and treat health problems early.

Children get exams, checkups, follow-up treatment, and special care to stay healthy. This will also give parents and children a chance to ask their healthcare providers any questions they may have.

Well Child Visits

- All children should have 6 or more visits with their health care provider during their first 15 months of life.
- All children should have 2 or more visits with their health care provider between 15-30 months of life.
- Your child's doctor can tell you which shots they need and make sure they are up to date. Vaccines protect kids from serious diseases. In the U.S., vaccines have helped stop many illnesses like measles, mumps, rubella, and the flu (influenza) from spreading. Keeping up with vaccines is very important to keep your child healthy.

Recommended Immunization Schedule

Below is a key to help you understand the recommended immunization schedule for your child:

- WCV: Well-Child Visit
- HepB: Hepatitis B
- RV: Rotavirus
- DTaP: Diphtheria, Tetanus, acellular Pertussis
- Hib: Haemophilus influenzae type b
- PCV: Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine
- IPV: Inactivated Poliovirus Vaccine
- MMR: Measles, Mumps, Rubella
- Varicella: Chickenpox vaccine
- Hep A: Hepatitis A

	Birth	1 month	2 months	4 months	6 months	8 months	12 months	15 months	18 months	19-23 months	2-3 years	4-6 years
RSV	✓ 1 dose during RSV season					✓ 1 dose during RSV season for those at high risk						
HepB	✓	✓			✓							
RV			✓	✓	✓							
DTaP			✓	✓	✓			✓				✓
Hib			✓	✓	✓		✓					
PCV			✓	✓	✓		✓					
IPV			✓	✓	✓							
COVID-19					✓ Recommended for age group							✓ As recommended
Influenza					✓	Yearly						
MMR							✓					✓
Varicella							✓					✓
HepA							✓ Dose 2: 6 months after dose 1					

Source: American Academy of Pediatrics - [Vaccine-Childhood-Schedule-print](#)

Did you know?

You may be eligible to earn gift card rewards. You may be eligible for a reward if your baby completes six or more visits by the time the child is 15 months old.

You may also be eligible for a reward if your child receives certain immunizations. For more information call Member Services English (855) 687-7861 or TTY/TDD: 711 or visit our [Member Rewards page](#).

Do you want an easy way to get updates about your health plan and reminders to help you stay healthy? You can opt-in to get text messages and/or emails from Molina! To opt-in, call our Member Services team at (855) 687-7861 (TTY 7-1-1) Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tell us your cell phone number or email address and say it's okay to contact you. You can also sign up on the Molina Member Portal.

Transportation

Molina can help you get to and from the health care provider. To book a ride, call (844) 644-6354 or TTY/Illinois Relay Service at 711.

For more help with rides, call Molina Member Services English (855) 687-7861 or TTY/TDD: 711 or visit our Transportation Services website.

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