

NOTICE: AHCCCS EPSDT Periodicity Schedule

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Dear Provider,

AHCCCS has made revisions to the Early Periodic Screening and Diagnostic Treatment (EPSDT) Periodicity Schedule. The **newly revised** AHCCCS EPSDT Periodicity Schedule is available on the AHCCCS website under the AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (AMPM):

<https://azahcccs.gov/shared/MedicalPolicyManual/>.

Chapter 400 - Medical Policy for Maternal and Child Health, Section 430 – Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment services, Attachment A – AHCCCS Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment Periodicity Schedule:

https://wwwazahcccs.gov/shared/Downloads/MedicalPolicyManual/400/430_AttachmentA.docx

Please share the benefits of these visits with parents during regularly scheduled well-visits or even during sick visits to reinforce the importance of staying on track.

Best practices to improve well-child visit rates:

- Members (3 - 20 years of age) can be scheduled and seen for a well visit before a year has passed since the last well visit if they turn a new age.
- Convert sports physicals into well visits by:
 - Adding anticipatory guidance
 - Taking physical and mental development histories
 - Updating immunizations
- Perform a sick visit and well-child visit on the same day by adding a modifier 25 to the sick visit and billing for the appropriate well visit.
- Coordinate medication refills with well visits.

Health Choice provides a monthly roster of members eligible for their next EPSDT well-visit. Member rosters are also available through your secure provider portal as a resource for you to contact and schedule members. If you need assistance or have additional questions please contact our EPSDT staff at 480-760-4821.

Thank you for your commitment to our members and the health of future generations.

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