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## ROUTINE PREVENTIVE SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS (12 YEARS- 20 YEARS)

The following guideline provides recommendations for routine preventive services for children 12 years to 20 years. Children at increased risk may warrant additional services.

| Recommendation | 12 Years | 13 Years | 14 Years | 15 Years | 16 Years | 17 Years | 18 Years | 19 Years | 20 Years |
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| **History:** Documentation must contain an initial health history and each subsequent checkup must contain information on an interim history. | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| **Mental Health Screening:** Mental health screening is required at each checkup and includes behavioral, social, and emotional development. One of the following validated, standardized mental health screening tools is required when screening annually 12 through 18 years of age:<br>•Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9, PHQ-A [anxiety, eating problems, mood problems and substance abuse])<br>•Patient Health Questionnaire Modified for Adolescents(PHQ-A [depression screen])<br>•Pediatric Symptom Checklist (PSC-17 and PSC-35)<br>•Pediatric Symptom Checklist Youth Report (Y-PSC)<br>•Car, Relax, Alone, Forget, Family, and Trouble Questionnaire (CRAFFT)<br>•Rapid Assessment for Adolescent Preventive Services (RAAPS)<br>https://toolkits.solutions.aap.org/DocumentLibrary/BFTK2e_Links_Screening_Tools.pdf | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| | Recommended screening annually 12 through 18 years of age | | | | | | | | |
| **Tuberculosis Screening:** TB Questionnaire must be administered annually beginning at 12 months of age. A Tuberculin Skin Test is to be administered when the screening tool indicates a risk for possible exposure | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| **Nutrition Screening:** Dietary practices should be assessed to identify unusual eating habits such as pica, extended use of baby bottle feedings, or eating disorders in older children and adolescents. For nutritional problems, further assessment is indicated. | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| **Age Appropriate Screening & Administration of Immunizations:** Providers must assess the immunization status of clients at every medical checkup and vaccines must be administered according to the current Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). "Recommended Childhood and Adolescent Immunization Schedule. https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/ | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| **Laboratory Tests:**<br>• Risk Based Tests: Screenings performed based on risk assessments include screenings for type 2 diabetes (dia), hyperlipidemia (dys), gonorrhea, chlamydia, syphilis (std) and HIV (hiv). Document screening or reason why member was not screened. | dia dys std hiv | dia dys std hiv | dia dys std hiv | dia dys std hiv | dia dys std hiv | dia dys std hiv | dia dys std hiv | dia dys std hiv | dia dys std hiv |
| • Mandatory Screenings | | | | | hiv (Once at 16 - 18 years) | | dys (Once at 18 - 20 years) | | |

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| **Complete Unclothed Physical Examination** | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| **Length/Height:** Requires documentation of measurements and percentiles as appropriate | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| **Weight:** Requires documentation of measurements and percentiles as appropriate | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| **BMI:** Requires documentation of measurements and percentiles as appropriate | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| **Blood Pressure** | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Texas Health Steps recommends that health care providers:<br>•Use the World Health Organization (WHO) growth charts http://www.cdc.gov/growthcharts/who_charts.htm for infants and children birth to 2 years of age.<br>•Use the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) growth charts http://www.cdc.gov/growthcharts/cdc_charts.htm for children who are 2 years of age or older. | | | | | | | | | |
| **Vision:** Visual Acuity results | X | | | X | | | X | | |
| Subjective vision | | X | X | | X | X | | X | X |
| **Hearing:** Audiometric Screening results | | | | X | | | | | |
| Subjective hearing | X | X | X | | X | X | X | X | X |
| **Age Appropriate Anticipatory Guidance & Health Education:** Health education is designed to help parents and caregivers understand what to expect in terms of the child's development and to provide information for all ages about the benefits of healthy lifestyles and practices, as well as accident and disease prevention. Diet and Exercise are topics that are strongly encouraged. https://hhs.texas.gov/doing-business-hhs/provider-portals/health-services-providers/texas-health-steps/medical-providers | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| **Dental:** Limited oral screening for caries and general health of the teeth and oral mucosa is part of the physical examination. In addition to the federal requirements, Texas Health Steps policy requires referral to a dentist at six months of age and every six months thereafter until the dental home has been established. | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| **Follow up Instructions to Return for Next Preventive Visit:** | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X | X |

This guideline is based on the Texas Health Steps Periodicity Schedule and the Texas Health Steps Checkup Components. https://hhs.texas.gov/doing-business-hhs/provider-portals/health-services-providers/texas-health-steps/medical-providers. Individual patient considerations and advances in medical science may supersede or modify these recommendations

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