

2024 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. As a part of your health plan, you may be eligible to receive some of these preventive benefits with 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. Recommended annual services are based on a calendar year resetting January 1 of every year.

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 your age, gender, and family history.

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Adults: Ages 19+



GENERAL HEALTH CARE

	Routine Checkup** (This exam is not the work- or school-related physical)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ages 19 to 49: Every one to two years Ages 50 and older: Once a year
	Behavioral Health Well Check (Delaware State Law)	Once a year visit with a licensed mental health clinician with at minimum a master's level degree
	Depression Screening and Anxiety Screening	Once a year
	Illicit Drug Use Screening	Once a year
	Pelvic, Breast Exam	Once in a benefit plan 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) Risk Assessment	Effective 8/1/2020: Covered as preventive screening
	Breast Cancer Genetic (BRCA) Screening	Those meeting specific high-risk criteria: One-time genetic assessment for breast and ovarian cancer risk
	Cholesterol (Lipid) Screening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ages 20 and older: Once every five years High-risk: More often
	Colon Cancer Screening	Colonoscopy following a positive result obtained by other mandated screening method
	Colon Cancer Screening (Including Colonoscopy)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ages 45 and older: Every one to 10 years, depending on screening test High-risk: Earlier or more frequently
	Diabetes Screening	High-risk: Ages 35 and older, once every three years

* Shingrix (one of the two Shingles vaccines) is covered according to your benefits plan wide benefit level, not 100%.


** Routine checkup 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.

Adults: Ages 19+

SCREENINGS/PROCEDURES

	Hepatitis B Screening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Once per lifetime for adults High-risk: More often
	Hepatitis C Screening	High-risk
	Latent Tuberculosis Screening	High-risk
	Lung Cancer Screening (Requires prior authorization and use of authorized facility)	Ages 50 to 80 with 20-pack per year history: Once a year for current smokers, or once a year if currently smoking or quit within past 15 years
	Mammogram (2D and 3D)	Ages 40 and older: Once in a benefit plan year; baseline mammogram can be performed on women ages 35 to 39 based on Delaware state mandate
	Osteoporosis (Bone Mineral Density) Screening	Ages 65 and older: Once every two 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 three years, or annually, per doctor's advice Ages 30 to 65: Every five years if HPV only or combined Pap and HPV are negative Ages 65 and older: Per doctor's advice
	Prostate Cancer Screening	Talk to your health care provider to determine if a prostate screening is recommended
	Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Screenings and Counseling (Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, HIV, and Syphilis)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sexually active males and females HIV screening for adults to age 65 in the general population and those at risk, then screening over age 65 with risk factors




IMMUNIZATIONS**

	Chicken Pox (Varicella)	Adults with no history of chicken pox: One two-dose series
	COVID-19 Vaccine	Per doctor's advice following CDC and Emergency Use Authorization Guidelines
	Diphtheria, Tetanus (Td/Tdap)	One dose Tdap, then Td or Tdap booster every 10 years
	Flu (Influenza)	Every year (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)
	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 two- or three-dose series
	Hepatitis B	At-risk or per doctor's advice: One two- or three-dose series
	Human Papillomavirus (HPV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To age 19: One three-dose series 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
	Monkeypox Vaccine	Ages 18 and older


* Meningococcal B vaccine per doctor's advice.

** 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.


IMMUNIZATIONS**

 Pneumonia	High-risk or ages 65 and older: One or two doses, per lifetime
 RSV Vaccine	Adults aged 60 and older
 Shingles	Shingrix*** - Ages 50 and older: Two doses



PREVENTIVE DRUG MEASURES THAT REQUIRE A DOCTOR'S PRESCRIPTION

 Apretude for Prevention of HIV Infection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adults at risk for HIV infection, without an HIV diagnosis • Please refer to your CVS Caremark Preventive Schedule for more information on the oral PreP****
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PREVENTIVE CARE FOR PREGNANT WOMEN

 Screenings and Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gestational diabetes screening • Postpartum diabetes screening for those with gestational diabetes • Hepatitis B screening and immunization, if needed • HIV screening • Syphilis screening • Smoking cessation counseling • Depression screening and anxiety 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 • Nutritional counseling for pregnant women to promote healthy weight during the pregnancy • RSV vaccine
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PREVENTION OF OBESITY, HEART DISEASE, DIABETES, AND STROKE

 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
 Adults with a diagnosis of Hypertension, High Blood Pressure, Dyslipidemia, or Metabolic Syndrome Adults with BMI 40 and over	Nutritional counseling	

ADULT DIABETES PREVENTION PROGRAM (DPP)

 Applies to Adults	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To find out more about this program and eligibility criteria, click on the following link: highmarkbcbdsde.com 	Enrollment in either the onsite YMCA or Livongo's online lifestyle change Diabetes Prevention Programs for weight loss.
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*** Shingrix, one of the approved Shingles vaccines, is covered according to your plan wide benefits, not at 100%.

****The State of Delaware contracts directly with CVS Caremark. CVS Caremark does not provide Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield products or services and is solely responsible for the products or services it provides.

2024 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.


Services include Bright Futures recommendations. CHIP members may have additional preventive services and coverage. Please check the CHIP member booklet for further details of CHIP coverage of preventive services.

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.

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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.)	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Behavioral Health Well Check (Delaware State Law)	Once a year visit with a licensed mental health clinician with at minimum a master's level degree										
Hearing Screening	●										
SCREENINGS											
Autism Screening									●	●	
Critical Congenital Heart Disease (CCHD) Screening With Pulse Oximetry	●										
Developmental Screening						●			●		●
Hematocrit or Hemoglobin Anemia Screening							●				
Hepatitis C Screening	Per MD recommendation with material exposure during pregnancy										
Lead Screening**							●			●	
Newborn Blood Screening and Bilirubin	●										
IMMUNIZATIONS											
Chicken Pox											Dose 1
COVID-19 Vaccine	Per doctor's advice following CDC and Emergency Use Authorization Guidelines										
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP)			Dose 1	Dose 2	Dose 3				Dose 4		
Flu (Influenza)***	Ages 6 months to 30 months: 1 or 2 doses in a benefit plan year										
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						
RSV Vaccine	RSV Vaccine for Infants aged <8 months born during or entering their first RSV season, and infants and children aged 8-19 months who are at increased risk of severe RSV disease entering their second RSV season										

* 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.
 ** Per Bright Futures, and refer to state-specific recommendations as needed.
 *** 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 in a benefit plan year from ages 11 to 18			
Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitoring**												●
Anxiety Screening						Once a year from ages 8 to 18						
Behavioral Health Well Check (Delaware State Law)	Once a year visit with a licensed mental health clinician with at minimum a master's level degree											
Depression Screening									Once in a benefit plan year from ages 11 to 18			
Illicit Drug Use Screening												●
Hearing Screening***		●	●	●		●		●		●	●	●
Visual Screening***	●	●	●	●		●		●		●	●	
SCREENINGS												
Hematocrit or Hemoglobin Anemia 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										
COVID-19 Vaccine	Per doctor's advice following CDC and Emergency Use Authorization Guidelines											
Dengue Vaccine							9-16 years living in dengue endemic areas in U.S. Territories AND have laboratory confirmation of previous dengue infection					
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP)		Dose 5							One dose Tdap			
Flu (Influenza)****	Ages 3 to 18: 1 or 2 doses in a benefit plan year											
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												●
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 15-21			
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


Oral Fluoride	For ages 6 months to 16 years whose primary water source is deficient in fluoride
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PREVENTION OF OBESITY, HEART DISEASE, DIABETES, AND STROKE

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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Age 18 with a diagnosis of Hypertension, High Blood Pressure, Dyslipidemia, or Metabolic Syndrome	Nutritional counseling
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ADULT DIABETES PREVENTION PROGRAM (DPP) AGE 18

 <p>Applies to Adults</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To find out more about this program and eligibility criteria, click on the following link: highmarkbcbsde.com 	Enrollment in either the onsite YMCA or Livongo's online lifestyle change Diabetes Prevention Programs for weight loss.
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Women's Health Preventive Schedule

SERVICES

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

SCREENINGS/PROCEDURES

Diabetes Screening	Screen for diabetes in pregnancy at first prenatal visit or at weeks 24-28 and after pregnancy in women with a history of gestational diabetes and no diagnosis of diabetes
HIV Screening and Discussion	All sexually active women: Once in a benefit plan year
Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Screening Testing	Beginning at age 30: Every three years
Domestic and Intimate Partner Violence Screening and Counseling	Once in a benefit plan 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 in a benefit plan year
Screening for Anxiety	The Women's Preventive Services Initiative recommends screening for anxiety in adolescent girls and adult women, including those who are pregnant or postpartum.
Nutritional Counseling	For women ages 40-60 covered with normal and overweight BMI

* 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)

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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U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, SW
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201
1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

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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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ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, steht Ihnen unsere fremdsprachliche Unterstützung kostenlos zur Verfügung. Rufen Sie dazu die auf der Rückseite Ihres Versicherungsausweises (TTY: 711) aufgeführte Nummer an.

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توجه: اگر شما به زبان فارسی صحبت می کنید، خدمات کمک زبان، به صورت رایگان، در دسترس شماست. با شماره واقع در پشت کارت شناسایی خود (TTY: 711) تماس بگیرید.

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