



Preventive Services

Unlike some health care plans, CHIP covers preventive services for your children.

What preventive services are covered?

Well Child Care

CHIP covers yearly check-ups for children based on the recommended guidelines of the Academy of Pediatrics.

Well visits are covered at:

- 4 weeks old
- 2 and 4 months old
- every 3 months at six to eighteen months old
- 2 and 2 1/2 years old
- every year from 4 to 18 years old

Your doctor should see your child regularly, and not only when ill or not feeling well. The doctor can more readily check on:

- height and weight measurements
- blood pressure level
- vision and hearing screening
- physical examination
- developmental/behavioral signs appropriate to age



Why Preventive Doctor Visits?



It's just as important for your doctor to have a "picture" and record of your child on a regular, healthy day as it is when he or she is ill!

Easy Scheduling

To keep your children up to recommended standards, schedule their well care visits six months in advance and at a time that's easy for you to remember each year.

For example:

- Your child's birthday or your birthday or other anniversary date
- one month before the start or after the close of the school year
- before your child's participation in a regular summer or school athletic program

And remember, preventive services = no co-pays*.

*Co-pays do not apply to preventive care, dental, vision or generic prescriptions.

Immunizations

CHIP covers all the recommended childhood immunizations. Why make an extra trip? Ask your doctor to check immunizations when you schedule your well child visit.

 means it is a preventive service.

See our website: www.wvchip.org

Lead Testing



For children who may have been exposed to lead-based paint or other lead products, you may want to ask your doctor to do lab work for lead testing. CHIP covers it.

Vision Services



Annual Eye Exam:
Your child can have his or her vision checked by an optometrist or an ophthalmologist once a year.

Even if your children had physicals this year, and you've been thinking that their vision should be tested before school, we've got you covered.

Need glasses, frames, or contacts? CHIP can cover up to \$125 if medically indicated by the office visit.

Dental Services

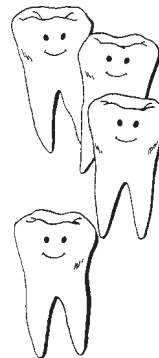


Routine Exam:
Your children can see a dentist every six months for a dental exam, including cleaning, fluoride treatments and bitewings (partial mouth x-rays to check for decay).

Full mouth x-rays are covered every 36 months.

Found a dental problem?

If your child has a dental problem, CHIP covers sealants, fillings, treatment of abscesses, extraction related to an abscess and root canal therapy, removal of dental-related cysts and x-rays necessary to diagnose the condition.



Teeth damaged in an accident?

CHIP coverage services to restore tooth structures damaged due to an accident. Services provided within 6 months of the accident can be covered, but they must be preauthorized by Acordia.

Looking for a doctor, dentist or vision specialist in your area who takes CHIP? Call us at 1-877-WVA-CHIP. We can find someone in your area or we will mail you our list of West Virginia providers to help you find the one most convenient for you.

WV Children's Health Insurance Program (WV CHIP)



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