

Provider Bulletin
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Preventive Health Care Guidelines

BlueChoice HealthPlan Medicaid's preventive health care guidelines were revised based on updates from source organizations, and reviewed and approved by our Policy & Technology Committee. The preventive health care guidelines were approved by the Physician Quality Improvement Committee.

Major changes include updates to the immunization schedule to reflect the 2009 Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) schedule. ACIP revised the schedule for rotavirus, flu and DTap for pregnant women. In addition, guidelines were revised based on updates to State requirements and EPSDT schedules.

The format of the guidelines was changed based on input from focus groups.

We have added a link from our provider website to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services website for state specific EPSDT schedules. We have added a link from our provider website to the BlueChoice HealthPlan Medicaid's Managed Medicaid Program Medical Policy Preventive Health Guidelines. You also will find a copy of the preventive health care guidelines that we provide to members.

You will find our updated preventive health care guidelines on our provider website following these steps:

- Enter **www.BlueChoiceSCMedicaid.com** and click on the **Providers** area
- Select **Resources** in the middle of your screen
- Select **Preventive Health Care Guidelines**