Healthy Children and Youth/Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (HCY/EPSDT) Quick Reference Billing and Coding Guide

Updated to reflect American Academy of Pediatrics, CMS, and State Guidance

Thank you for providing quality healthcare to our members. As you know, quality of care is measured through the Healthy Children and Youth/Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (HCY/EPSDT) and Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS). To support your practice and help you increase your HCY/EPSDT participation and screening rates, we created this quick reference billing and coding guide.

This guide describes key HCY/EPSDT exam components and provides guidance on how to bill appropriately. Please always follow the State and CMS billing guidance and ensure the EPSDT codes are covered prior to submission.

### HCY/EPSDT Billing Codes [1][2][3]

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<th>AGE</th>
<th>CPT Code: New Patient</th>
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<td>Preventive visit, &lt;1 year</td>
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<td>99391</td>
<td>Modifier EP: Used with procedure codes 99381-99385 and 99391-99395 when a Full or Partial screening is performed.</td>
<td>Z00.110 Newborn under 8 days old</td>
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<td>Modifier 52: Used with modifier EP when all components have not been met, but at least the first 5 or more components were completed according to the HCY/EPSDT requirements.</td>
<td>Z00.111 Newborns 8 to 28 days old or</td>
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<td>Modifier 59: Used when only components related to developmental and mental health are screened.</td>
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*Independent Rural Health Clinics will bill HCPCS T1015 along with the appropriate CPT code(s) and modifier(s) as applicable.

When an Annual Wellness Visit is performed the Z00 code series listed in the above grid should always be entered in the primary diagnosis position (Z02 codes, indicating sports, school physicals, or other should be entered in the second diagnosis position or beyond).

If the first 5 or more components of an HCY/EPSDT screen are completed, you may bill using the age appropriate CPT code, EP modifier (along with modifier 52 to identify a partial screen was performed), and appropriate ICD-10 code to count toward your Participation Rate. **Please see the HCY/EPSDT Billing Codes Table.**
Components of a HCY/EPSDT Exam [1]:

A full screen must be performed by the appropriate practitioner type and include all 10 components below. If all components are not included, but at least the first 5 or more components were, a provider must bill for a partial screen only. A partial screen will still count towards the EPSDT participation rate.

- Interval History
- Unclothed Physical Examination
- Anticipatory Guidance
- Lab/Immunizations (Lab and administration of immunizations are reimbursed separately)
- Lead Risk Assessment (HCY Lead Risk Assessment Form required)
- Development Personal-Social and Language
- Fine Motor/Gross Motor Skills
- Hearing
- Vision
- Oral Health (A full HCY/EPSDT screen includes an oral examination which is not a full dental exam. Children should be referred to a dental provider when medically indicated and according to the periodicity schedule.)

Please refer to your state specific Periodicity Schedule.

Qualified Providers [1]  
Physicians  
Nurse Practitioners  
Nurse Midwives*

*Nurse midwife may only perform an EPSDT screening on infants 0-2 months and females age 15-20 years.

HELPFUL HINTS *Always refer to the MO HealthNet provider manuals for guidance [1][2].

- It is recommended that a blood lead test occur before the age of 2.
- Home State Health will reimburse providers for a sick visit and EPSDT for the same date of service. See Modifier 25. Documentation must support that the sick visit was significant and separately identifiable.

Please note: This document contains general screening, guidelines, and topics to assist with examination and documentation of well-child exams. For more detailed information please refer to the MO HealthNet provider manuals.

Works Cited:


For additional questions please call the MO HealthNet Provider Communications Help Line at: 573-751-2896.