



Peach State Health Check (EPSDT) Tips and Reminders

- Peach State follows the guidelines in GHP Health Check Manual for EPSDT services. Please reference www.ghp.ga.gov, Health Check Services Manual.
- **Other insurance**
If the member has a primary insurance, please leave Field 9 blank (Other Insured's Name). Health Check screenings are exempt from third party liability. Peach State should be filed as primary, even if the member has other insurance primary to Medicaid.
- **Field 19- HIPAA EPSDT Referral Codes**
If an EPSDT referral is being made, a "Y" should be entered in field 19 of the CMS 1500 form. The appropriate EPSDT Referral code should be placed next to the Y; one of the appropriate codes to use to document an EPSDT referral is AV, S2, or ST.
- **Normal Health Check screen** - a follow-up is not needed
 - N, NU = No, No follow up visit needed
- **Abnormal Health Check screen** - a follow up visit is needed.
 - Y, AV = Yes, Available, not used: patient refused referral
 - Y, S2 = Yes, Under treatment: patient is currently under treatment for health problem.
 - Y, ST = Yes, New services requested: referral to another provider for diagnostic or corrective treatment/scheduled.
 - Only office visit codes 99201, 99211 or 99212 along with the appropriate ICD-9 code for the abnormal finding can be billed in conjunction with an abnormal Health Check screen.
 - Enter "N" in field 19 if a referral is not made. NU should be documented next to the N to indicate that a referral will not result from the EPSDT screening.
- **The Place-of-Service code (POS) is 99**
POS code 99 should be entered in field 24b of the CMS 1500 form.
- Field 24h should reflect a Y or N to indicate an EPSDT service.
- **Enter the required provider information**
The NPI number is entered in fields 24Jb and 33a of the CMS 1500 form.
- **The EP Modifier** should be used in conjunction with all health check related services, including Interperiodic screenings and immunizations.
- Always remember to complete/update the **GRITS registry** for immunizations services.
- Please refer to the **Periodicity and Immunization Schedules** located in the Health Checks Manual- Section 902 Periodicity and Schedule and Minimum Standards for Screening Components, Section 905.3 Vaccines for Children and Appendices C, D and E of the Health Check Manual.
- In accordance with **GHP Health Check guidelines, please remember to submit** Pentacel, CPT 90698 with the correct diagnosis code, V06.8 per the Health Check Manual, App E to avoid claim processing errors.
- **Lead Screenings**
 - Federal law requires that children enrolled in Medicaid have their blood lead levels measured at age 12 and 24 months.
 - Lead screenings should be conducted as close as possible to ages 12 and 24 months.
 - The acceptable range of testing is from 9 until 15 months for the 12-month screening and 18-35 months for the 24 months screening.
 - Lead Risk Assessments should be conducted annually starting at age 36 months through 72 months or anytime that the provider believes a child is at risk.
 - The Lead Risk Assessments should be placed in the medical chart as part of the child's record. The GCLPPP Lead questionnaire is available on the Peach State web portal (<http://www.pshpgeorgia.com> www.pshpgeorgia.com).
 - Georgia Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (GCLPPP) strongly recommends using the Albany State Laboratory for blood lead level (BLL) screenings. Analysis of the blood lead specimen is provided free of charge by the Albany State Lab for all Georgia children ages birth to 6 years of age.