

Preventive Services Covered Under the Affordable Care Act

If you have a new health insurance plan or insurance policy beginning on or after September 23, 2010, the following preventive services must be covered without your having to pay a copayment or co-insurance or meet your deductible. This applies only when these services are delivered by a network provider.

- [Covered Preventive Services for Adults](#)
- [Covered Preventive Services for Women, Including Pregnant Women](#)
- [Covered Preventive Services for Children](#)

15 Covered Preventive Services for Adults

1. [Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm](#) one-time screening for men of specified ages who have ever smoked
2. [Alcohol Misuse](#) screening and counseling
3. [Aspirin](#) use for men and women of certain ages
4. [Blood Pressure](#) screening for all adults
5. [Cholesterol](#) screening for adults of certain ages or at higher risk
6. [Colorectal Cancer](#) screening for adults over 50
7. [Depression](#) screening for adults
8. [Type 2 Diabetes](#) screening for adults with high blood pressure
9. [Diet](#) counseling for adults at higher risk for chronic disease
10. [HIV](#) screening for all adults at higher risk
11. [Immunization](#) vaccines for adults--doses, recommended ages, and recommended populations vary:
 - Hepatitis A
 - Hepatitis B
 - Herpes Zoster
 - Human Papillomavirus
 - Influenza (Flu Shot)
 - Measles, Mumps, Rubella
 - Meningococcal
 - Pneumococcal
 - Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis
 - Varicella[Learn more about immunizations and see the latest vaccine schedules.](#)
12. [Obesity](#) screening and counseling for all adults
13. [Sexually Transmitted Infection \(STI\)](#) prevention counseling for adults at higher risk
14. [Tobacco Use](#) screening for all adults and cessation interventions for tobacco users
15. [Syphilis](#) screening for all adults at higher risk

22 Covered Preventive Services for Women, Including Pregnant Women

The eight new prevention-related health services marked with an asterisk (*) must be covered with no cost-sharing in plan years starting on or after August 1, 2012.

1. [Anemia](#) screening on a routine basis for pregnant women
2. [Bacteriuria](#) urinary tract or other infection screening for pregnant women
3. [BRCA](#) counseling about genetic testing for women at higher risk
4. [Breast Cancer Mammography](#) screenings every 1 to 2 years for women over 40
5. [Breast Cancer Chemoprevention](#) counseling for women at higher risk
6. [Breastfeeding](#) comprehensive support and counseling from trained providers, as well as access to breastfeeding supplies, for pregnant and nursing women*
7. [Cervical Cancer](#) screening for sexually active women
8. [Chlamydia Infection](#) screening for younger women and other women at higher risk
9. [Contraception](#): Food and Drug Administration-approved contraceptive methods, sterilization procedures, and patient education and counseling, not including abortifacient drugs*
10. [Domestic and interpersonal violence](#) screening and counseling for all women*
11. [Folic Acid](#) supplements for women who may become pregnant
12. [Gestational diabetes](#) screening for women 24 to 28 weeks pregnant and those at high risk of developing gestational diabetes*
13. [Gonorrhea](#) screening for all women at higher risk
14. [Hepatitis B](#) screening for pregnant women at their first prenatal visit
15. [Human Immunodeficiency Virus \(HIV\)](#) screening and counseling for sexually active women*
16. [Human Papillomavirus \(HPV\) DNA Test](#): high risk HPV DNA testing every three years for women with normal cytology results who are 30 or older*
17. [Osteoporosis](#) screening for women over age 60 depending on risk factors
18. [Rh Incompatibility](#) screening for all pregnant women and follow-up testing for women at higher risk
19. [Tobacco Use](#) screening and interventions for all women, and expanded counseling for pregnant tobacco users
20. [Sexually Transmitted Infections \(STI\)](#) counseling for sexually active women*
21. [Syphilis](#) screening for all pregnant women or other women at increased risk
22. [Well-woman visits](#) to obtain recommended preventive services*

[Learn more about Affordable Care Act Rules on Expanding Access to Preventive Services for Women.](#)
(Effective August 1, 2012)

26 Covered Preventive Services for Children

1. [Alcohol and Drug Use](#) assessments for adolescents
2. [Autism](#) screening for children at 18 and 24 months
3. [Behavioral](#) assessments for children of all ages
Ages: [0 to 11 months](#), [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#), [11 to 14 years](#), [15 to 17 years](#).
4. [Blood Pressure](#) screening for children
Ages: [0 to 11 months](#), [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#), [11 to 14 years](#), [15 to 17 years](#).
5. [Cervical Dysplasia](#) screening for sexually active females
6. [Congenital Hypothyroidism](#) screening for newborns
7. [Depression](#) screening for adolescents

8. **Developmental** screening for children under age 3, and surveillance throughout childhood
9. **Dyslipidemia** screening for children at higher risk of lipid disorders
Ages: [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#), [11 to 14 years](#), [15 to 17 years](#).
10. **Fluoride Chemoprevention** supplements for children without fluoride in their water source
11. **Gonorrhea** preventive medication for the eyes of all newborns
12. **Hearing** screening for all newborns
13. **Height, Weight and Body Mass Index** measurements for children
Ages: [0 to 11 months](#), [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#), [11 to 14 years](#), [15 to 17 years](#).
14. **Hematocrit or Hemoglobin** screening for children
15. **Hemoglobinopathies** or sickle cell screening for newborns
16. **HIV** screening for adolescents at higher risk
17. **Immunization** vaccines for children from birth to age 18 —doses, recommended ages, and recommended populations vary:
 - Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis
 - Haemophilus influenzae type b
 - Hepatitis A
 - Hepatitis B
 - Human Papillomavirus
 - Inactivated Poliovirus
 - Influenza (Flu Shot)
 - Measles, Mumps, Rubella
 - Meningococcal
 - Pneumococcal
 - Rotavirus
 - Varicella[Learn more about immunizations and see the latest vaccine schedules.](#)
18. **Iron** supplements for children ages 6 to 12 months at risk for anemia
19. **Lead** screening for children at risk of exposure
20. **Medical History** for all children throughout development
Ages: [0 to 11 months](#), [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#), [11 to 14 years](#), [15 to 17 years](#).
21. **Obesity** screening and counseling
22. **Oral Health** risk assessment for young children
Ages: [0 to 11 months](#), [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#).
23. **Phenylketonuria (PKU)** screening for this genetic disorder in newborns
24. **Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI)** prevention counseling and screening for adolescents at higher risk
25. **Tuberculin** testing for children at higher risk of tuberculosis
Ages: [0 to 11 months](#), [1 to 4 years](#), [5 to 10 years](#), [11 to 14 years](#), [15 to 17 years](#).
26. **Vision** screening for all children

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