

**To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers**

**Date: February 18, 2025**

**Subject: Information on Well Child Visits 0-21 years/Update to HEDIS Measure 2025**

**Summary:** W30: Well Child Visits in the first 15 months  
Well Child Visits 15-30 months old  
WCV: Well Child Visits 3-21 years old

## **IMPORTANT CHANGE to HEDIS 2025:**

Beginning in the measurement year 2025, NCQA has removed telehealth<sup>1</sup> visits for well visit compliance. Well visits completed via telehealth or virtual visit will no longer count towards the HEDIS numerator.

Well child visits offer providers the opportunity to impact the health and development of their pediatric population. Key screenings and counseling should be presented to parents and guardians during the well visit.

Each well child visit should focus on prevention, early detection, and medically necessary treatment.

### **What do you need to know?**

#### **W30: Well-Child Visits in the First 30 Months of Life:**

Children should have at least 6 well visits by age 15 months and should have at least 2 more well visits by age 30 months. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends the following schedule of Well-Child Visits in the first 30 months of life.<sup>2</sup>

❖ 3-5 days old	❖ 12 months
❖ 1 month	❖ 15 months
❖ 2 months	❖ 18 months
❖ 4 months	❖ 24 months
❖ 6 months	❖ 30 months
❖ 9 months	

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.ncqa.org/wp-content/uploads/HEDIS-MY-2025-Summary-of-Changes.pdf>

### WCV: Child and Adolescent Well-care Visits:

- ❖ Children ages 3-21 should have a yearly well child visit.

AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana offers a *Care Card Incentive* to members who complete their Well-Child Visits:

- ❖ \$20 for completing 6 well visits from birth to 15 months
- ❖ \$15 for completing an annual well visit ages 2-20
- ❖ \$20 for completing an annual visit with a Primary Care Provider age 21 and older

### Coding for Well-Child Visits: <sup>3</sup>

New patient	Established patient	ICD-10 Codes
99381 Age <1 year	99391 Age <1 year	Z00.110, Z00.111, Z00.121, Z00.129
99382 Age 1–4 years	99392 Age 1–4 years	Z00.121, Z00.129
99383 Age 5–11 years	99393 Age 5–11 years	Z00.121, Z00.129
99384 Age 12–17 years	99394 Age 12–17 years	Z00.121, Z00.129
99385 Age 18–21 years	99395 Age 18–21 years	Z00.00, Z00.01

EPSDT modifiers (must be included on the claims line for all)	
Modifier	Definition
EP	Complete EPSDT screen
90	Outpatient lab

### References:

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.ncqa.org/wp-content/uploads/HEDIS-MY-2025-Summary-of-Changes.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/family-life/health-management/Pages/Well-Child-Care-A-Check-Up-for-Success.aspx> ; accessed 1/3/2025

<sup>3</sup> AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana EPSDT Provider Toolkit;  
<https://www.amerihealthcaritasla.com/pdf/provider/resources/forms/provider-epsdt-provider-toolkit.pdf>

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