

Preventive Visit Examples

This guide includes clinical examples to help bill and code for the most common Well Child Visits under EPSDT program.



Full EPSDT Screening

Used when a provider performs 10 components of an EPSDT.

Full EPSDT Example 1:

5-year-old girl presents for an annual Well Child Visit and is an established patient of the practice. She was previously diagnosed with asthma and has not had any onset to exacerbation in recent years. The provider renews her medication prescription and performs a Full EPSDT Screening/Complete Well Child Visit.

DX(s) A. Z00.129 (Routine child health exam without abnormal findings)
B. J45.909 (Asthma NOS)

CPT	Modifier(s)	Diagnosis Code(s)
99394	EP	A B

Note: Chronic conditions can be coded if they were addressed. In this example, medication was refilled for asthma.

Full EPSDT Example 2:

2-year-old boy presents for an annual Well Child Visit and is new to the practice. The provider performs a Full EPSDT Screening/Complete Well Child Visit, notices a runny nose, sneezing and sore throat, and diagnoses the patient with URI. Provider counsels the patient's caregiver to encourage more fluid intake and recommends a humidifier for the child's bedroom. The provider did not perform any additional work other than the requirements of a Well Child Visit.

DX(s) A. Z00.121 (Routine child health exam with abnormal findings)
B. J06.9 (Upper Respiratory Infection, NOS)

CPT	Modifier(s)	Diagnosis Code(s)
99382	EP	A B

Note: Modifier EP represents that a FULL screening has been performed meeting all 10 components for an EPSDT visit.

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Full EPSDT Example 3:

15-year-old boy presents for an athletic physical and is an established patient. He has not had his annual Well Child Visit for the calendar year. The provider decides to perform a Well Child Visit along with the athletic physical.

DX(s) A. Z00.129 (Routine child health exam without abnormal findings)
B. Z02.5 (Examination for participation in sports)

CPT	Modifier(s)	Diagnosis Code(s)
99394	EP	A B

Note: Modifier EP is used since the Interperiodic Screen turned into an annual Well Child Visit.



Partial EPSDT Screening

Used when a provider performs a minimum of the first five components of an EPSDT exam.

Partial EPSDT Example:

5-year-old girl comes in for an annual Well Child Visit and is an established patient of the practice. The visit concluded abruptly before all components were provided and was rescheduled for later date. The provider performed the first five components required of a Partial EPSDT Screening/Complete Well Child Visit.

DX(s) A. Z00.129 (Routine child health exam without abnormal findings)

CPT	Modifier(s)	Diagnosis Code(s)
99393	-52 -EP	A

Note: If the provider did not complete the 10 components required for an EPSDT, then Modifier 52 goes in the first position followed by Modifier EP.



Full or Partial Screening with Sick Visit

When medically necessary, a provider can bill a preventive visit with a sick CPT code on the same day and on the same claim.

Full or Partial with Sick Visit Example:

4-year-old child comes in for a follow-up visit for asthma and is still wheezing. The provider sends the child for an X-ray and administers a nebulizer treatment. The provider also notes that patient has not had a well visit since age two. The provider *performed significant additional work* to necessitate a sick visit along with the requirements of a Well Child Visit.

DX(s) A. Z00.129 (Routine child health exam without abnormal findings)
B. J45.909 (Asthma)

CPT	Modifier(s)	Diagnosis Code(s)
1. 99393	-EP	A
2. 99213	-25	B

Note: [1] 'Ohana Health Plan is not telling the provider which E/M sick code to use. The E/M codes are based on the level of complexity, the examination and medical decision-making involved.

[2] The order of the procedure codes does not matter. Make sure to assign the screening code to the preventive code (as shown in line 1). The disease code(s) or condition(s) are assigned the sick visit code (as shown in line 2).

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Interperiodic Screens

Interperiodic screens do not follow the EPSDT periodicity schedule and do not require the completion of all 10 components for a full screen. They can be billed regardless of whether the patient has had a Well Child Visit within the same calendar year.

Interperiodic Example 1:

15-year-old boy comes in for an athletic physical in order to be allowed to play football on the school's team. He is an established patient of the practice and has previously had his annual Well Child Visit for that calendar year.

DX(s) A. Z00.129 (Routine child health exam without abnormal findings)
B. Z02.5 (Examination for participation in sports)

CPT	Modifier(s)	Diagnosis Code(s)
99394		A B

**Modifier EP is not used in Interperiodic Screens*

Interperiodic Example 2:

A mother brings her 5-year-old child to the office for a medical screening necessary to enter kindergarten. The patient has previously had their annual Well Child Visit for the calendar year. In the examination it is noted that the child has pain, redness and swelling on the arm. A skin test and allergy blood test are ordered which determine that the child had an allergic reaction to a bee sting. Provider can bill a sick code (99201–99215) to cover the examination and the significant additional work necessary to diagnose the allergic reaction. The provider can also bill a preventive code to cover the interperiodic screen needed for the school system.

DX(s) A. Z00.121 (Routine child health exam with abnormal findings)
B. Z02.0 (Examination for admission to educational institute)
C. T63.441A (Toxic effect of venom bees, accidental)

CPT	Modifier(s)	Diagnosis Code(s)
1. 99383		A B
2. 99213	25	C

**Modifier EP is not used in Interperiodic Screens*

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[2] The order of the procedure codes does not matter. Make sure to assign the screening code to the interperiodic screen (as shown in line 1). The disease code(s) or condition(s) are assigned to the sick visit code (as shown in line 2).