

## Preventive Services Guide

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## Ambetter Preventive Care Services

Preventive care services can help you take charge of your health so you and your primary care provider (PCP) can catch problems before they start. These services include checkups, tests and screenings based on your age, weight or medical history.

See the charts on the following pages for the preventive services included in your Ambetter health plan. At your annual wellness exam, ask your PCP if you need any screenings or tests. Together, you and your PCP can stay updated about any changes in your health.

If you have any questions, talk to your doctor. Or you can call us at the toll-free number listed on the back of your Ambetter ID card.

## Ambetter Preventive Services Charts

1. Adult Preventive Services
2. Women's Preventive Services
3. Children's Preventive Services

## BENEFIT CONSIDERATIONS

Before using this guideline, please check your member specific benefit plan document and any federal or state mandates, if applicable. Note: This is an overall guide to preventive care, but not all-inclusive.

Throughout this document the following acronyms are used:

- USPSTF: United States Preventive Services Task Force
- PPACA: Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010
- ACIP: Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices
- HHS: Health and Human Services
- HRSA: Health Resources and Services Administration


## Ambetter's Preventive Services Guidelines

Preventive services include a broad range of benefits (including screening tests, counseling, and immunizations/vaccines). The federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) requires non-grandfathered health plans to cover preventive care services, when provided by network providers, without cost sharing to members. Preventive care services include: evidence based items or services that have in effect a rating of " A " or " B " in the current recommendations of the USPSTF, immunizations for routine use in children, adolescents and adults that have in effect a recommendation from the ACIP, with respect to infants, children and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the HRSA and with respect to women, such additional preventive care and screenings as provided for in comprehensive guidelines supported by the HRSA.

To support your efforts and continuously improve the satisfaction of our members, we have adopted national practice parameters for disease management. Our goal in adopting national parameters is to help our members attain optimal quality of life. The parameters are provided to physicians for use as guidelines to assist them in clinical decision-making, and are not intended to be rigid standards.

## Adult Preventive Services

All members: Annual wellness exams; all routine immunizations and vaccines recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

All members at an appropriate age and/or risk status: Counseling and/or screening for: colorectal cancer; elevated cholesterol and lipids; certain sexually transmitted diseases; HIV; depression; high blood pressure; diabetes. Screening and counseling for alcohol abuse in a primary care setting; tobacco use; obesity; diet and nutrition.

Men's health: Intervention services as part of a full physical exam or periodic check-up for the purpose of education or counseling on potential health concerns, including smoking cessation counseling. Screening for prostate cancer for men age 40 and older; screening for abdominal aortic aneurysm in men 65-75 years old (USPSTF recommends this for males 65-75 years old who have smoked).


## Women's Preventive Services

Screenings for women's health, including pregnancy-related preventive services, include: well-woman visits, including preconception counseling and prenatal care, Pap tests and any cervical cancer screening tests including human papillomavirus (HPV), contraceptive methods and counseling, and screening and counseling for interpersonal and domestic violence.


## Children's Preventive Services

Includes annual well child visits, screening newborns for hearing problems, thyroid disease, phenylketonuria, sickle cell anemia, and standard metabolic screening panel for inherited enzyme deficiency diseases. Counseling for fluoride for
prevention of dental cavities; screening for major depressive disorders; vision; lead; tuberculosis; developmental/autism; counseling for obesity.

| Screening Tests ${ }^{1}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0-1 \text { year } \\ & \text { (Infancy) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 1-4 years <br> (Early Childhood) | $\begin{gathered} \text { 5-11 years } \\ \text { (Middle Childhood) } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 12-17 years (Adolescence) |
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| Well Baby Visits and Care (including cholesterol screening, height, weight, developmental milestones, and BMI) | Ages 1-2 weeks; and 1, 2, 4, 6,9 , and 12 months. <br> Assess breastfeeding infants between 3-5 days of age | Ages 15, 18, and 24 months; and 3 and 4 years | Annually | Annually |
| Anemia | Once between ages 9-12 months | As needed at the discretion of your healthcare provider |  | Starting at age 12, screen all nonpregnant adolescents for anemia every 5-10 years during well visit. Annually screen for anemia if at high risk |
| Blood Test for Lead | Initial screening between ages 9-12 months | Annually at ages 2 and 3 years, and again at 4 years if in areas of high risk | If never screened, prior to entry to kindergarten |  |
| Urinalysis |  |  | Once at age 5 at the discretion of your healthcare provider |  |
| Blood Pressure |  | Annually beginning at age 3 |  |  |
| Hearing | Assess prior to discharge, or by 1 month | Audiometry at ages $4,5,6,8,10,12,15$, and 17 |  |  |
| Vision | Assess prior to discharge, and by 6 months | Visual acuity test at ages $3,4,5,6,8,10,12,15$, and 17 screen for strabismus (lazy eye) between ages 3 and 5 years |  |  |
| Pap Smear (Females) |  |  |  | Per ACS every 3 yrs. beginning at age 21 or as recommended by practitioner for abnormal findings |
| Chlamydia screening |  |  |  | If sexually active and < 24 |
| Tests for Sexually Transmitted Diseases | Annual screenings for sexually active patients under 25; annually for patients age 25 and over if at risk. HPV is for age 26 and under, if not previously vaccinated |  |  |  |
| Testicular Exam (Males) |  |  |  | Clinical exam and self-exam instruction annually beginning at age 15 |
| Congenital Hypothyroidism Screening | Newborns |  |  |  |
| Critical Congenital Heart Disease Screening | Newborns before discharge from hospital |  |  |  |
| Cholesterol/Lipid Disorders Screening | At-risk children 2-8 |  | At-risk from 9-11 | At-risk adolescents 12-18 |
| Tuberculin Test | Children and adolescents at risk |  |  |  |
| Routine Eye Exam for Children | 1 visit annually |  |  |  |
| Depression |  |  |  | Ages 11-17 |
| Immunizations ${ }^{\text {1, 2, 4, } 5}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0-1 \text { year } \\ & \text { (Infancy) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 1-4 years <br> (Early Childhood) | 5-11 years (Middle Childhood) | $\begin{gathered} \text { 12-17 years } \\ \text { (Adolescence) } \end{gathered}$ |
| Hepatitis A |  | 2 doses routinely recommended at 12-24 months, and high-risk children over 24 months |  |  |
| Hepatitis B | 2 doses routinely recommended at birth and ages 1-2 months | 1 doses 6-18 months |  |  |
| Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP) Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Acellular Pertussis (Tdap) [Note: replaces Tetanus Diphtheria(Td)] | 3 doses of DTaP routinely recommended at ages 2,4 , and 6 months | 1 dose at 15-18 months | 1 dose between 4-6 years | 1 dose of Tdap between ages 7-10 instead of Td vaccine if you do not know if your child has received these; also between ages 13-18 years who missed Td booster at 11-12 |
| Polio Vaccine | 2 doses routinely recommended at ages 2 and 4 months | 1 dose recommended between 6-18 months | 1 dose between 4-6 years |  |
| Haemophilus (Hib) | 3 doses routinely recommended at ages 2,4 , and 6 months | 1 dose between 12-15 months |  |  |
| Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR) |  | 1 dose routinely recommended between 12-15 months | 1 dose between 4-6 years |  |
| Varicella Vaccine (Chicken Pox) |  | 1 dose routinely recommended between 12-15 months | 1 dose between 4-6 years |  |
| Pneumococcal Vaccine | 3 doses routinely recommended at ages 2,4 , and 6 months | 1 dose between 12-15 months |  |  |
| Meningococcal Vaccine |  | Certain high-risk group only. As needed at discretion of your healthcare provider |  | 1 dose between ages 11-12 years; 1 dose at high school or college entry if not previously vaccinated |


| Human Papillomavirus (HPV) |  | 3 doses between ages 11-12 years for males and females; <br> Any dose not administered at the recommended age, should be <br> administered at a subsequent visit |  |
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| Influenza Vaccine (Flu) | Annually for children 6 months of age and older |  |  |
| Rotavirus | 3 doses at 2,4, and 6 months |  |  |

1 Ambetter will cover additional preventive benefits when required by the state.
2 Some immunizations are indicated for certain conditions, discuss with your provider what routine preventive care and immunizations are best for you.
3 HPV is for age 26 and under if not previously vaccinated.
4 Ambetter covers vaccines under the preventive service benefit, without cost sharing, when services are rendered by an in-network provider and/or pharmacy who administers these vaccines.
5 Routine recommendation - ask your primary care provider (PCP) about immunizations you may need.
6 Differs from federal requirements, due to state law/regulation.
**Ambetter pays for breast cancer screening once a year starting at age 35. When administered as a preventive breast imaging screening, digital breast tomosynthesis (known as 3-D mammography) is considered a covered preventive benefit.

## Coverage Limitations and Exclusions

1. Services not covered under the preventive care benefit may be covered under another portion of the medical benefit plan.
2. Generally, the cost of drugs, medications, vitamins, supplements, or over-the-counter items is not eligible as a preventive care benefit. However, certain outpatient prescription medications, tobacco cessation drugs and/orover the counter items, as required by PPACA, may be covered under the preventive benefit. For details, please refer to the member-specific pharmacy plan administrator.
3. An immunization is not covered if it does not meet company Vaccine Policy requirements for FDA labeling (including age and/or gender limitations) and if it does not have definitive ACIP recommendations published in the CDC's Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR).
4. Examinations, screenings, testing, or immunizations are not covered when:
a. required solely for the purposes of career, education, sports or camp, travel (including travel immunizations), employment, insurance, marriage or adoption, or
b. related to judicial or administrative proceedings or orders, or
c. conducted for purposes of medical research, or
d. required to obtain or maintain a license of any type.
5. Services that are investigational, experimental, unproven or not medically necessary are not covered. Please see applicable Medical Policies (EOC, SOB, etc.) for details.
6. Breastfeeding equipment and supplies not listed in the Indications for Coverage section above. This includes, but is not limited to:
a. Manual breast pumps and all related equipment and supplies.
b. Hospital-grade breast pumps and all related equipment and supplies.
c. Equipment and supplies not listed in the Covered Breastfeeding Equipment section above, including but not limited to:
i. Batteries, battery-powered adaptors, and battery packs.
ii. Electrical power adapters fortravel.
iii. Bottles which are not specific to breast pump operation. This includes the associated bottle nipples, caps and lids.
iv. Travel bags, and other similar travel or carrying accessories.
v. Breast pump cleaning supplies including soap, sprays, wipes, steam cleaning bags and other similar products.
vi. Baby weight scales.
vii. Garments or other products that allow hands-free pump operation.
viii. Breast milk storage bags, ice-packs, labels, labeling lids, and other similar products.
ix. Nursing bras, bra pads, breast shells, nipple shields, and other similar products.
x. Creams, ointments, and other products that relieve breastfeeding related symptoms or conditions of the breasts or nipples.

The benefits within this document are currently effective unless otherwise noted. Always refer to your Schedule of Benefits to understand if there are any costs associated with your preventive care benefits. In addition to the services listed, you may have additional preventive care benefits covered under your Ambetter plan that may or may not be covered at $100 \%$. Check your Schedule of Benefits for details on these additional preventive carebenefits.

This Coverage Determination Guideline provides assistance in interpreting Ambetter preventive care services. When deciding coverage, the member specific benefit plan document must be referenced. This document is supplemental to your benefit plan document (e.g. Evidence of Coverage (EOC) and Schedule of Benefits (SOB), Member Handbook) and should not be used to guarantee coverage. Providers must first identify member eligibility, any federal or state regulatory requirements, and the member specific benefit plan coverage prior to use of this Coverage Determination Guideline. Other Policies and Coverage Determination Guidelines may apply; members should refer back to the EOC for detailed coverage information, including the essential health benefit plan. Ambetter reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to modify its Policies and Guidelines as necessary This Coverage Determination Guideline is provided for informational purposes, your plan may not pay for all services and treatments in this guide. It does not constitute medical advice.

Note: Preventive services do not generally include services intended to treat an existing illness, injury, or condition. Benefits will be determined based on how the provider submits the bill. Claims must be submitted with the appropriate diagnosis and procedure code in order to be paid at the $100 \%$ benefit level. If during your preventive services visit you receive services to treat an existing illness, injury or condition, you may be required to pay a copay, deductible and/or coinsurance for those covered services.

This information is intended as a reference tool for your convenience and is not a guarantee of payment.

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- Qualified interpreters
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If you need these services, contact Ambetter from MHS at [1-877-687-1182 (TTY/TDD 1-800-7433333).]

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## Complaint forms are available at http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html.

| Spanish： | Si usted，o alguien a quien está ayudando，tiene preguntas acerca de Ambetter de MHS，tiene derecho a obtener ayuda e información en su idioma sin costo alguno．Para hablar con un intérprete，llame al 1－877－687－1182（TTY／TDD 1－800－743－3333）． |
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| Chinese： | 如果您，或是您正在協助的對象，有關於 Ambetter from MHS 方面的問題，您有權利免費以您的母語得到幫助和訊息。如果要與一位翻譯員講話，請撥電話 1－877－687－1182（TTY／TDD 1－800－743－3333）。 |
| German： | Falls Sie oder jemand，dem Sie helfen，Fragen zu Ambetter from MHS hat，haben Sie das Recht，kostenlose Hilfe und Informationen in Ihrer Sprache zu erhalten．Um mit einem Dolmetscher zu sprechen，rufen Sie bitte die Nummer 1－877－687－1182（TTY／TDD 1－800－743－3333）an． |
| Pennsylvania Dutch： | Vann du，adda ebbah＇s du am helfa bisht，ennichi questions hott veyyich Ambetter from MHS，dann hosht du＇s recht fa hilf greeya adda may aus finna diveyya in dei shprohch un＇s kosht nix．Fa shvetza mitt ebbah diveyya，kawl 1－877－687－1182（TTY／TDD 1－800－743－3333）． |
| Burmese： |  <br>  |
| Arabic： | إذا كان لديك أو لاى شُخص تشاعده أسئلة حول Ambetter from MHS، لدبك الحق في الحصول على المساعة والمعلومات الضرورية بلغثلك من دون أية تكلة．للأحدث مع مترجم اتصل بـ－877－1 <br> ．（TTY／TDD 1－800－743－3333）687－1182 |
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