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TO: EPSDT Healthy Kids Providers
Managed Care Organizations
Local Health Departments
Federally Qualified Health Centers

FROM: *Susan J. Tucker*
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RE: Additions to Healthy Kids Preventive Health Schedule and Clarification of
Dental, Autism, Developmental and Lead Screening Recommendations

NOTE: **Please ensure that the appropriate staff members in your Organization are aware of content of this transmittal**

The purpose of this transmittal is to inform providers about updates to the Healthy Kids Preventive Health Schedule and to clarify the Department's recommendations for several important services.

Additional Well-Child Examinations

Effective January 1, 2013, the Department will add two additional well-child examinations to the Maryland Healthy Kids Preventive Health Schedule. The Department is adding a 3-5 days visit and a 30 months visit. This update aligns the Maryland Medical Assistance program with the American Academy of Pediatrics' (AAP) *Bright Futures* recommendations for childhood visits (see attached Healthy Kids Schedule). For billing, providers must use the preventive medicine CPT codes. MCOs will reimburse providers for these additional well-child visits.

Dental Referral

The current Healthy Kids Preventive Health Schedule recommends that EPSDT providers make a referral to the dentist starting at 12 months of age. Previously, the schedule recommended a referral at 2 years old. To find a dentist in your area, please call DentaQuest at (888)696-9596.

Autism Screening

EPSDT providers must complete an autism screening tool, such as the Modified Checklist for Autism in Toddlers (M-CHAT), at 18 months and 24-30 months of age. The CPT code for autism screening is 96110.



Developmental Screening

EPSDT providers must complete a standardized, validated developmental screening tool at 9 months, 18 months, and 24-30 months of age. The CPT code for developmental screening is 96110. (**Note:** Providers can bill 2 units of 96110 in one day if the child receives a separate autism and developmental screening test on the same day.)

Tuberculosis (TB) Screening

EPSDT providers must complete a TB risk assessment at the one-month visit and repeat annually.

Lead Screening

The current Healthy Kids Preventive Health Schedule requires lead testing at 12 and 24 months of age. Additionally, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) released guidance in May 2012 recommending that providers retest children with a lead level greater than the new reference level of 5 mg/dL within 3 months. In addition, providers should educate families whose children have a confirmed level greater than 5 mg/dL about lead and nutrition, and should assess children for possible sources of lead exposure.

If you have questions, please contact Lesa Watkins in the Maryland Medical Assistance Healthy Kids Unit at (410) 767-1836 or lesa.watkins@maryland.gov.

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