

# **Health Check**

### Helping North Carolina's Children Grow Up Healthy

Keeping your children healthy is important to you. That's why we want you to know about Health Check. It allows your children to see their doctors regularly.

Health Check visits, also known as well child visits, include tests and checkups. They can find things that could affect your child's ability to grow and learn in school. Health Check also includes follow-up care. These services are covered at no cost to you. They are part of your benefits with WellCare of North Carolina. Your child should have regular Health Check screenings to make sure your child stays healthy.

Health Check visits can make sure children from birth to age 21 are on track in these areas:



Dental



Mental health



Development



Healthy foods



Hearing



Healthy living



Shots



Physical exams



Lab tests



Vision



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# Your Child's Health Journey Starts Now!

Health Check connects children with EPSDT services.

#### What is EPSDT?

It stands for:

- **Early** To find issues soon
- P: Periodic To make sure children see a doctor regularly
- S: Screening To check for any problems
- D: Diagnostic To test for children's health
- T: Treatment To care for any needs

#### Why are Health Check visits important?

Seeing the doctor regularly gives your child an early start on the road to good health in these ways:

- Helping the doctor get to know your child
- Making sure your child has what he or she needs to learn and grow
- · Helping your child have a healthy smile and eyesight

#### Where do I start?

We're here for you. If you need help to make an appointment with your child's doctor, contact us and we can:

- Find a doctor, dentist or optometrist
- Set a Health Check appointment
- Help if you need a ride to the appointment
- Answer your questions about Health Check
- Help you find resources that your family needs

#### Please contact us to help you get your Health Check care:

- Member Services department: 1-866-799-5318 (TTY 711)
- Community Connections Help Line: 1-866-775-2192 (TTY 711)
- Behavioral Health Crisis Line: 1-833-207-4240
- Nurse Line: 1-800-919-8807 (TTY 711)





## When Should My Child Get Health Check Visits?

• Taking your child to Health Check screenings is one of the best things you can do for your child's health. Use this handy schedule to plan visits.

<b>Babies</b> need checkups at:	<b>Toddlers</b> need checkups at:	Young children need checkups at:
<ul> <li>1 week</li> <li>1 month</li> <li>2 months</li> <li>4 months</li> <li>6 months</li> <li>9 months</li> <li>12 months</li> </ul>	<ul><li>15 months</li><li>18 months</li><li>24 months</li><li>30 months</li></ul>	<ul><li> 3 years</li><li> 4 years</li><li> 5 years</li><li> 6 years</li></ul>

Older children, teenagers and adults 21 years and younger need a checkup every year.



Dental and vision checkups are important for your child's health. You can schedule them without a referral from your child's primary care doctor.

### What happens after your child gets a Health Check?

Your child's doctor will help you understand results and next steps. If you do not understand something, feel free to ask questions.

Here's what could happen if the doctor finds a need for follow-up care:

- For some follow-up needs, the doctor will give your child treatment or refer your child to a specialist for help
- For vision needs, your child may see an eye doctor and get glasses
- For hearing needs, your child may see a specialist and get hearing aids
- For oral health needs, your child may see a dentist

Sometimes you will need a doctor's referral or the plan's approval before seeing a specialist. Also, remember to see a provider in the plan's network. Check your member handbook or call the Member Services department for details.

Health Check visits can find small issues before they become big. And if something is found, needed follow-up care and referrals are covered. Your Provider office may reach out to help get the follow-up care your child needs including unmet health-related resource needs.

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