



# Child and Adolescent Well-Care Visits (WCV)

The Child and Adolescent Well-Care Visits measure evaluates children and adolescents 3-21 years of age who had one or more comprehensive well-care visits with a PCP or OB/GYN during the measurement year.

Product lines	Quality programs impacted	Collection and reporting method
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commercial</li> <li>Medicaid</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NCQA Health Plan Ratings</li> <li>Quality Rating System</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Administrative</li> <li>Claim data</li> </ul>

Numerator compliance	One or more well-care visits with a PCP or an OB/GYN during the measurement year		
Time period	January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026		
Billing codes	Description	Code type	Codes
	Well-care visits	CPT	99381, 99382, 99383, 99384, 99385, 99391, 99392, 99393, 99394, 99395, 99461
	HCPCS	G0438, G0439, S0302, S0610, S0612, S0613	
	SNOMED	103740001, 170099002, 170107008, 170114005, 170123008, 170132005, 170141000, 170250008, 170254004, 170263002, 170272005, 170300004, 170309003, 1269518002, 1269517007, 170150003, 170159002, 170168000, 170281004, 170290006, 171387006, 171394009, 171395005, 171409007, 171410002, 171416008, 171417004, 243788004, 268563000, 270356004, 401140000, 410621008, 410622001, 410623006, 410624000, 410625004, 410626003, 410627007, 410628002, 410629005, 410630000, 410631001, 410632008, 410633003, 442162000, 410620009, 410634009, 410635005, 410636006, 410637002, 410638007, 410639004, 410640002, 410641003, 410642005, 410643000, 410644006, 410645007, 410646008, 410647004, 410648009, 410649001, 410650001, 444971000124105, 446301000124108, 446381000124104, 669251000168104, 669261000168102, 669271000168108, 669281000168106, 783260003	

	Encounter for well care	ICD-10 diagnosis	Z00.00, Z00.01, Z00.110, Z00.111, Z00.121, Z00.129, Z00.2, Z00.3, Z01.411, Z01.419, Z02.5, Z02.84, Z76.1, Z76.2
<b>Frequency/occurrence</b>	Every year		
<b>Required exclusions</b>	Patients who use hospice services or elect to use hospice benefit any time during the measurement year or elect to use a hospice benefit any time during the measurement year		
<b>Test, service or procedure to close care opportunity</b>	The well-care visit must occur with a PCP or an OB/GYN practitioner, but the practitioner does not have to be the practitioner assigned to the member.		
	<b>Well-care visits should include the following:</b>		
	Physical exam		
	Health history		
	Physical development		
Mental development			
Anticipatory guidance			
<b>Medical record documentation</b> (including but not limited to)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Well child/adolescent forms</li> <li>• Health history and physical</li> <li>• Progress notes</li> <li>• Growth charts</li> <li>• Mental developmental history</li> <li>• Physical developmental history</li> </ul> <p><b>Submit medical record documentation to Priority Health HEDIS department:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Electronically uploading medical records – contact <a href="mailto:HEDIS@PriorityHealth.com">HEDIS@PriorityHealth.com</a> to get a file set up or for more information</li> <li>• Email: <a href="mailto:HEDIS@PriorityHealth.com">HEDIS@PriorityHealth.com</a></li> <li>• Fax: 616.975.8897</li> <li>• Mail: HEDIS at 1231 E Beltline, NE Mail Stop 1280, Grand Rapids, MI, 49525</li> </ul>		
<b>Common chart deficiencies</b>	<p><b>All components of a well-child/adolescent visit are not documented in the medical record:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physical exam</li> <li>• Health history</li> <li>• Physical development</li> <li>• Mental development</li> <li>• Anticipatory guidance</li> </ul>		

### Tips and best practices

- **Check your PIP reports to identify patients with open care opportunities**
- Documentation of the components of care for a well-care visit can be done at any time during the measurement year and on separate visits
- Create a template with a checklist for well-care/adolescent visits to ensure compliance or utilize standardized templates in electronic health records (EHR/EMRs)
- If a provider is seeing a patient for Evaluation and Management (E/M) service and all well-care visit components are completed, attach modifier 25 to the well-care CPT code so it is reviewed as a significant, separately identifiable procedure
- **All well-care visits during the year can be accepted as supplemental data**

## Important notes

### Always include a date of service and document these components of care:

- **Physical exam**
  - Vital signs alone are not enough to meet compliance
- **Health history**
  - Assessment of history of disease or illness
  - Notation of allergies, medication, or immunizations alone won't meet compliance; documenting all three will meet compliance
- **Physical developmental history**
  - Assessment of physical developmental milestones and progress toward developing the skills needed to become a healthy child/adolescent
  - Notation of Tanner stage or scale won't meet compliance
  - “Appropriate for age” without a specific reference to development won't meet compliance
- **Mental developmental history**
  - Assessment of mental developmental milestone and progress toward developing the skills needed to become a health child
  - Notation of “appropriately responsive for age” or “well developed” alone will not meet compliance
- **Anticipatory guidance/health education**
  - Given to parents or guardians to educate them on emerging issues, expectations and things to watch for at the child's age
  - Information about medications or immunization or their side effects will not meet compliance

The components of care can be completed at any appointment – not just a well-care visits – and on different dates of service.

### Examples of evaluations to help complete each component of care

Physical exam	Health history	Physical development	Mental development	Anticipatory guidance
Assessment of multiple body systems	Birth history	Throws, kicks a ball	Knows full name	Safety, poison control
Auscultation of heart and lung sounds	Medical, surgical history	Hops, skips, runs	Colors, writes, reading, counting	Nutrition and exercise
Measurements of weight and length	History or absence of past illness	Rides a tricycle or bike	Uses imagination, shares with others	Interacts with others
Vital signs	Family illness/disease history	Puberty	Smoking, alcohol, drug use	Limit TV/screen time
Hearing and vision	History/absence of allergies +	Start of menses	Depression	Safe sex
Reflexes	Immunization history +	Acne	Grades	Self-exams – breast or testicular
Extremities	Medications +	Growth spurts	Personal hygiene	Oral health/dental

+Three or more of these components are required to constitute a comprehensive health history