

Healthchek

Healthchek is Ohio's early and periodic screening, diagnostic, and treatment (EPSDT) benefit. Healthchek covers medical exams, immunizations (shots), health education, and laboratory tests for Medicaid eligible individuals under the age of 21. These exams are important to make sure that children are healthy and are developing physically and mentally. Mothers should have prenatal exams and children should have exams at birth, 3-5 days of age and at 1, 2, 4, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 24, and 30 months of age. After that, children should have at least one exam per year.

Healthchek also covers medical, vision, dental, hearing, nutritional, developmental, and behavioral health exams, in addition to other care to treat physical, behavioral or other problems or conditions found by an exam. Some of the tests and treatment services may require prior authorization.

Healthchek services are available at no cost to members and include:

Preventive checkups for newborns, infants, children, teens, and young adults under the age of 21

Healthchek screenings:

Medical exams (physical and development screenings)

Vision exams

Dental exams

Hearing exams

Nutrition checks

Developmental exams

Lead testing

Laboratory tests (age and gender appropriate exams)

Immunizations

Medically necessary follow-up care to treat health problems or issues found during a screening. This could include, but is not limited to, services such as: visits with a primary care provider, specialist, dentist, optometrist and other UnitedHealthcare Community Plan providers to diagnose and treat problems or issues

inpatient or outpatient hospital care

clinic visits

prescription drugs

Health education

It is very important to get preventive checkups and screenings so your providers can find any health problems early and treat them, or make a referral to a specialist for treatment, before the problem gets more serious. **Remember: Some services may require a referral from your PCP or prior authorization by UnitedHealthcare Community Plan.** Also, for some EPSDT items or services, your provider may request prior authorization for UnitedHealthcare Community Plan to cover things that

have limits or are not covered for members over age 20. Please see page 22 to see what services require a referral and/or prior authorization.

As a part of Healthchek, care management services are available to all members under the age of 21 who have special health care needs. Please see page 35 to learn more about the care management services offered by UnitedHealthcare Community Plan.