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HCY Exams

The case manager is responsible for ensuring all HCY exams/screening documentation is contained in the child's case record by requesting medical records after the exams have occurred. If assistance is needed for medical records request, Health Information Specialist staff are available to offer assistance.

MO HealthNet no longer requires specific HCY screening forms to be completed by medical providers and previous HCY Screening Guide forms are no longer available through eForms or MO HealthNet website. MO HealthNet requires that the medical provider document in the patient's medical record that a preventative screening was provided. The provider can document the screenings in an electronic or written medical record and must contain all of the components of a full HCY screening or documentation if some services were refused by the legal authorized consentor.

As a reminder, all children should receive an initial health examination within 24 hours of coming into care but no later than 72 hours. A full Healthy Children and Youth (HCY) exam/screening shall be completed no later than 30 days after the child is placed in Children's Division custody. If it is not possible to schedule the appointment within 30 days, the reason for the delay shall be documented in FACES and the screenings completed at the earliest date possible.

A full HCY screen includes the following:

- A comprehensive unclothed physical examination
- A comprehensive health and developmental history including assessment of both physical and mental/behavioral health development
- Health education (including anticipatory guidance)
- Appropriate immunizations according to age
- Laboratory tests as indicated (appropriate according to age and health history unless medically contraindicated)
- Lead screening according to established guidelines
- Hearing screening
- Vision screening
- Dental screening

All medical exams need to be entered in the FACES/Medical information Screen. If during the initial 24-hour exam the provider was able to complete all the required elements of a full HCY exam, an additional 30 day exam is not required as the requirements have been met. The same completion date should be documented and entered for the initial and 30 day exam in FACES.

All children in the custody of the Children's Division shall receive ongoing HCY screenings in accordance with the ["Bright Futures/American Academy of Pediatrics \(AAP\) Recommendations for Preventative Pediatric Health Care"](#). The schedule of screenings is based on age and may require some children to have more frequent visits than children in other age groups.

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