

Did you know about...EPSDT?

Early and Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment



Children's Administration (CA) staff work collaboratively with foster and relative caregivers to provide our children with preventive and necessary health care. One way we can improve the overall health of our children is through taking children to Well-Child exams within 30 days of their entry into an out-of-home placement.

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CA Social workers are required to confirm with medical professionals that Well-Child exams are completed within the first 30 days of a child entering out-of-home placement. CA workers accomplish this through partnering with relatives and foster parents to:

- ♥ Identify primary medical care providers for the child
- ♥ Provide travel reimbursement for medical appointments, and
- ♥ Provide information about health professionals involved in the child's life. This promotes continuity of medical care and ensures that chronic health conditions remain identified and treated

There are times when an initial Well-Child exam may not be necessary for a child because the child had a Well-Child exam within the last 30 days. CA social workers should consult with staff or records from the following sources when assessing if a Well-Child exam has been completed:

- ♥ Child's pediatrician
- ♥ Hospitals
- ♥ Pediatric Interim Care Center
- ♥ Child Advocacy Center



"Sick visits" are appointments with health care providers when the child is ill, for injuries related to abuse or neglect, or when the child needs specialist care. Sick visits do not take the place of a Well-Child exam.

Well-Child exams should occur according to the following schedule:

Five (5) exams during their first year of life at:

- ♥ **1, 2, 4, 6 and 9 months**

Three (3) exams between 1 and 2 years of life at:

- ♥ **12, 18 and 24 months**

Annual exams begin at 3 years of life

