

PARTNERSHIP HEALTHPLAN OF CALIFORNIA
POLICY / PROCEDURE

Policy/Procedure Number: MPQP1018 (previously QP100118)			Lead Department: Health Services Business Unit: Quality Improvement	
Policy/Procedure Title: Preventive Health Guidelines			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> External Policy <input type="checkbox"/> Internal Policy	
Original Date: 05/17/2000		Next Review Date: 02/12/2026 Last Review Date: 02/12/2025		
Applies to:	<input type="checkbox"/> Employees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medi-Cal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partnership Advantage ¹	
Reviewing Entities:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IQI	<input type="checkbox"/> P & T	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> QUAC	
	<input type="checkbox"/> OPERATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> EXECUTIVE	<input type="checkbox"/> COMPLIANCE	<input type="checkbox"/> DEPARTMENT
Approving Entities:	<input type="checkbox"/> BOARD	<input type="checkbox"/> COMPLIANCE	<input type="checkbox"/> FINANCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PAC
	<input type="checkbox"/> CEO <input type="checkbox"/> COO	<input type="checkbox"/> CREDENTIALING	<input type="checkbox"/> DEPT. DIRECTOR/OFFICER	
Approval Signature: Robert Moore, MD, MPH, MBA			Approval Date: 02/12/2025	

I. RELATED POLICIES:

- A. MCQG1005 – Adult Preventive Health Guidelines
- B. MCQG1015 – Pediatric Preventive Health Guidelines
- C. MCUG3118 – Prenatal & Perinatal Care

II. IMPACTED DEPTS.:

- A. Health Services
- B. Provider Relations
- C. Member Services
- D. Claims
- E. Network Services

III. DEFINITIONS:

N/A

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

- A. N/A

V. PURPOSE:

Preventive Health Guidelines assist the practitioner to remove or reduce disease risk factors and promote early detection of disease or precursor states.

VI. POLICY / PROCEDURE:

Preventive Health Guidelines consist of standards for pediatric, adult, and perinatal care. These standards are to serve as a guideline and are not necessarily recommended at every periodic visit. The services may be performed during visits for other reasons, like illness visits or chronic disease checkups, when indicated. Medically necessary services and supplies required for preventive health care are covered when ordered and performed by the Primary Care Practitioner or Obstetrician/Gynecologist.

- A. The Preventive Health Guidelines are developed by the Partnership HealthPlan of California (Partnership) Health Services department using input from like-specialty providers and evidence-based recommendations including but not limited to:

¹ This policy may also apply in part to Partnership Advantage, the HealthPlan's Medicare product effective Jan. 1, 2026 in eight counties: Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino, Lake, Marin, Sonoma, Napa, and Solano, and may be subject to change based on Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) rules.

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1. Pediatrics:
 - a. American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Recommendations for Preventive Pediatric Health Care – Periodicity Schedule
 - b. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – U.S. Preventative Services Task Force
2. Obstetrics:
 - a. American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG)
 - b. U.S. Preventive Services Task Force
3. Adult:
 - a. U.S. Preventive Services Task Force
 - b. American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)
 - c. American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG)
 - d. American College of Physicians (ACP)
- B. The Preventive Health Guidelines are presented to the Quality/Utilization Advisory Committee (Q/UAC) and to the Physicians Advisory Committee (PAC) for review, revision if needed, and approval at least annually, and more frequently if major changes occur.
- C. The Preventive Health Guidelines are included in the Facility Site Review (FSR) tool.
- D. The Preventive Health Guidelines are available on the Partnership website. The Guidelines are distributed to new practitioners upon entering the plan and annually thereafter. The Provider Relations department is responsible for the distribution of Preventive Health Guidelines.
- E. The Provider Manual is updated as changes occur. At the discretion of Partnership’s Internal Quality Improvement (IQI) Committee, a broadcast bulletin may also be done by Provider Relations.
- F. Highlights of the Preventive Health Guidelines, with a link to the comprehensive recommendations, will be reviewed annually in the member newsletter.

VII. REFERENCES:

- A. American Academy of Pediatrics ([AAP](#)) 2024 Recommendations for Preventive Pediatric Health Care
- B. American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologist ([ACOG](#))
- C. American Academy of Family Physicians ([AAFP](#))
- D. American College of Physicians ([ACP](#)) Clinical Practice Guidelines and Recommendations
- E. U.S. Preventive Services Task Force ([USPSTF](#))

VIII. DISTRIBUTION:

- A. Partnership Department Directors
- B. Partnership Provider Manual

IX. POSITION RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTING PROCEDURE: Chief Medical Officer

X. REVISION DATES:

Medi-Cal

05/16/01; 07/17/02; 10/20/04; 03/15/06; 03/21/07; 03/19/08; 04/16/08; 03/18/09; 03/17/10; 05/18/11; 08/15/12; 08/21/13; 08/20/14; 08/19/15; 09/21/16; 10/18/17; *10/10/18; 02/13/19; 02/12/20; 02/10/21; 02/09/22; 02/08/23; 02/14/24; 02/12/25

*Through 2017, Approval Date reflective of the Quality Utilization Advisory Committee meeting date. Effective January 2018, Approval Date reflects that of the Physician Advisory Committee’s meeting date.

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Partnership Advantage:

MPQP1018 - 03/21/07 to 01/01/2015

Healthy Families:

MPQP1018 - 08/15/2012 to 03/01/2013 (Healthy Families program ended 12/01/2016)

Healthy Kids

MPQP1018 - 03/21/07; 03/19/08; 04/16/08; 03/18/09; 03/17/10; 05/18/11; 08/15/12; 08/21/13; 08/20/14; 8/19/15; 09/21/16 to 12/01/16 (Healthy Kids program ended 12/01/2016)