

Preventive Care: Services Covered Under the Affordable Care Act

This is to provide you with a list of preventive care services covered in accordance with the federal Affordable Care Act. These services are covered by all health plans offered by Harvard Pilgrim and its affiliates, except “grandfathered” plans¹. When you obtain these services from an In-Network Plan Provider, they are covered free of charge; there is no Member Cost Sharing required. However, if your plan offers Out-of-Network benefits, you will usually have to pay Member Cost Sharing if you receive preventive care from a Non-Plan Provider.

The list on the following pages includes only the services and tests required under the Affordable Care Act. Your plan may cover additional preventive services purchased by an employer or required to be provided under state law. Please see your Benefit Handbook and Schedule of Benefits for these services.

What is Preventive Care?

Preventive care is care you receive when you're healthy and symptom-free, such as routine check-ups, screenings and immunizations.

Diagnosis and treatment are different from preventive care. They involve testing or treatment for a symptom or health issue you already have, such as an existing illness or injury. When a doctor takes steps to diagnose or treat your health condition, you will be responsible for Member Cost Sharing as stated in your plan.

PREVENTIVE CARE SERVICES

The preventive services and tests listed below are covered with no Member Cost Sharing when received from a Plan Provider.

Adults and Children

- Routine physical examinations
- Alcohol misuse screening and counseling in a primary care setting
- Blood pressure screening, including home monitoring devices when needed to confirm a diagnosis of hypertension before starting treatment
- Cholesterol screening
- Depression screening (beginning at age 12, primary care visits only)
- Diabetes screening
- FDA approved condoms (male and female)

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- Health care providers may offer or refer for behavioral counseling interventions to promote a healthy diet and physical activity for adults with cardiovascular disease risk factors
- Hearing screening (up to age 21)
- Hematocrit or hemoglobin screening
- Hepatitis B screening for people at high risk of infection
- HIV screening, counseling and support services (consistent with CDC guidelines) and antiretroviral therapy for people at high risk of HIV acquisition
- Immunizations, including flu shots (flu shots at age 19 and above at a doctor's office or pharmacy; under age 19 at a doctor's office)
- Nutritional counseling
- Obesity screening
- Sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) – screenings and counseling
- Skin cancer prevention counseling
- Tobacco use screening, behavioral interventions (primary care visits only) and FDA-approved pharmacotherapy cessation for those who use tobacco
- Vision screening (up to age 21 in a primary care setting)

Adults Only

- Abdominal aortic aneurysm screening (one time only for males ages 65 – 75 who have ever smoked)
- Colorectal cancer screening, including colonoscopy, CT colonography and generic test prep kits, sigmoidoscopy and fecal occult blood test (i.e., Cologuard, ages 45–75)
- Hepatitis C screening, ages 18 – 79
- Lung cancer screening for adults ages 50 to 80 who have a 20 pack per year smoking history and currently smoke or have quit within the past 15 years
- Screening (by asking questions, not testing biological specimens) for unhealthy drug use. Screening should be implemented when services for accurate diagnosis, effective treatment and appropriate care can be offered or referred.
- Statins – Statin use for the primary prevention of cardiovascular disease for high-risk adults between ages 40 and 75
- Tuberculosis screening for adults at increased risk

Women Only

- Aspirin (81 mg/day) for women who are at least 12 weeks pregnant and at high risk for preeclampsia
- Asymptomatic bacteriuria with urine culture screening for pregnant women
- Behavioral counseling interventions aimed at promoting healthy weight gain and preventing excess gestational weight gain in pregnancy

- BRCA 1 or 2 genetic counseling, evaluation and testing in a primary care setting for women with a personal or family history of breast, ovarian, tubal or peritoneal cancer or who have family history associated with breast cancer susceptibility of BRCA 1 or 2 gene mutations with an appropriate brief familial risk assessment tool. Women with positive tests should receive genetic counseling and, if indicated after counseling, genetic testing.
- Breast cancer chemoprevention (counseling only for women at high risk for breast cancer and low risk for adverse effects of chemoprevention)
- Breast cancer mammography screening
- Breast cancer risk reducing medications, such as Raloxifine, Tamoxifen or Aromatase Inhibitors, for women at increased risk for breast cancer and at low risk for adverse medication effects
- Breastfeeding primary care interventions, including electric and manual breast pumps (including supplies), lactation classes and support at prenatal and post-partum visits, and newborn visits
- Contraceptive methods approved by the FDA², sterilization procedures and contraceptive patient education and counseling (contraceptives covered with no member cost sharing include generics and brand name drugs with no generic alternative, including emergency contraceptives.)
- Folic acid supplements (women planning or capable of pregnancy only)
- Gestational diabetes screening
- Hepatitis B screening for pregnant women at their first prenatal visit
- HIV screening for pregnant women, including those who present in labor at a delivery whose HIV status is unknown
- Interpersonal and domestic violence screening
- Iron deficiency anemia screening
- Osteoporosis screening for women age 50 and above or who are at increased risk of osteoporosis
- Paps smears for cervical cancer and Human Papillomavirus (HPV)
- Rh incompatibility screening for pregnant women and follow-up testing for women at higher risk
- Routine OB/GYN examinations
- Routine outpatient prenatal and postpartum visits
- Screening for preeclampsia in pregnant women with blood pressure measurement throughout pregnancy

² Plans provided by certain religious employers may be exempt from covering contraceptives services. Please see your Schedule of Benefit.

- Screening to determine need for counseling intervention for pregnant and postpartum women who are at increased risk of perinatal depression

Children Only

- Behavioral assessments, autism and developmental screening (for children up to age 18 in a primary care setting)
- Dyslipidemia screening
- Fluoride-oral supplementation for children through age 16. Note: Coverage for oral fluoride supplementation is only provided if your plan includes outpatient pharmacy coverage.
- Fluoride varnish for children through age 5, when applied by primary care providers, including pediatricians. Maximum of four fluoride varnish applications are covered per year.
- Gonorrhea preventive medication for the eyes of all newborns
- Hypothyroidism screening for newborns
- Iron deficiency prevention (primary care counseling for children ages 6 to 12 months only)
- Lead screening for children at risk
- Phenylketonuria screening (newborns up to 60 days from birth)
- Prophylactic ocular topical medication for newborns to prevent gonococcal ophthalmia neonatorum
- Sickle cell screening for newborns
- Tuberculosis screening
- Tobacco use screening and intervention, including education or brief counseling, to prevent initiation of tobacco use among school-aged children and adolescents

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT PREVENTIVE CARE

Under federal law the list of preventive services and tests covered under this benefit may change periodically based on the recommendations of the following agencies:

- a. Grade "A" and "B" recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force;
- b. With respect to immunizations, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and
- c. With respect to services for woman, infants, children and adolescents, the Health Resources and Services Administration

Information on the recommendations of these agencies may be found on the web site of the US Department of Health and Human Services at:

<https://www.healthcare.gov/what-are-my-preventive-care-benefits/#part=1>

Harvard Pilgrim will add or delete services from this list of preventive services and tests in accordance with changes in the recommendations of the agencies listed above. You can find a list of the current recommendations for preventive care on Harvard Pilgrim's web site at www.harvardpilgrim.org.

Language Assistance Services

Español (Spanish) ATENCIÓN: Si usted habla español, servicios de asistencia lingüística, de forma gratuita, están a su disposición. Llame al 1-888-333-4742 (TTY: 711).

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