# Preventive Services as of October 1, 2016



#### **Preventive Services Overview**

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) requires non-grandfathered health plans to cover specific in-network services as preventive, with no cost sharing for plan years beginning on or after Sept. 23, 2010. There is no requirement for out-of-network coverage for these services, nor does PPACA prohibit cost sharing on out-of-network services.

The requirements of the preventive care rule under PPACA:

- Apply only to network providers
- Apply to fully insured and self-funded health plans
- Apply to non-grandfathered plans (grandfathered plans may voluntarily adopt the services)
- Allow plans to apply medical management guidelines to frequency, method and place of service when not explicitly stated in the rule
- Allow plans to provide coverage for services in addition to the recommended preventive services and impose cost-sharing requirements for those additional services
- Include some services that may be preventive or diagnostic (when these services are performed and billed as screening services, they will be paid as a preventive service)

The specific preventive services include:

- Items or services rated A or B in the current recommendations of the US Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF)
- Immunizations recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Evidence-informed preventive care and screenings for infants, children and adolescents as provided in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
- Evidence-informed preventive care and screenings for women as provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the HRSA

These specific services are subject to change as new recommendations and guidelines are issued. Plans must comply with these updates by their first plan year on or after the date that is one year after the new recommendation is issued. UMR will implement the required changes to our standard coding across our book of business within one year of the effective date of the recommendation.

All preventive services are included in the statutory definition of essential benefits and are subject to the prohibition on lifetime/annual dollar maximums on essential benefits.

# Services Mandated by PPACA

Type of Preventive Service	PPACA Requirements	
Abdominal aortic aneurysm screening	Males age 65-75	
Bacteriuria screening	Pregnant females	
Chlamydia infection screening	All sexually active females age 24 or younger, or older pregnant women who are at risk	
Gonorrhea screening	All sexually active females	
Hepatitis B virus infection screening	Pregnant females and Persons at High Risk	
Hepatitis C virus infection screening	Males and females	
HIV screening for adolescents and adults	Males and females	
Rh incompatibility screening	Pregnant females	
Syphilis screening	Males and females	
Genetic Counseling and Evaluation for BRCA Testing; and BRCA Lab Screening	Females	
Diabetes screening	Males and females age 40 to 70 years	
Rubella screening by history of vaccination or by serology	Females	
Mammography screening	Females ages 40 and above, one every 1-2 years	
Pap smear, cervical cancer screening	Females, ages 21-65	
Cholesterol screening (lipid disorders screening)	Males and females, ages 20 and above	
Colorectal cancer screening	Males and females, ages 50-75	
Wellness exams	Males and females	
Immunizations	Males and females, Age and gender appropriate	
Newborn screening <ul> <li>Hearing</li> <li>Hypothyroidism</li> <li>Phenylketonuria</li> <li>Sickle Cell</li> </ul>	Ages 0-90 days	
Osteoporosis screening	Females	
Screening and behavior counseling, interventions in primary care to reduce alcohol misuse	Males and females	

# Services Mandated by PPACA cont.

Type of Preventive Service	PPACA Requirements	
Aspirin for prevention of cardiovascular disease	Males, ages 45-79 and females, ages 55-79	
Screening for high blood pressure (Clinical and Ambulatory Measurement)	Males and females, age 18 and above	
Chemoprevention of breast cancer	Females	
Primary care intervention to promote breast feeding	Females	
Prevention of dental caries in pre-school children	Males and females	
Screening for depression in adults and major depressive disorder in children and adolescents	Males and females	
Behavioral counseling in primary care to promote a healthy diet	Males and females	
Screening for obesity in adults	Males and females	
Screening for obesity in children and adolescents	Males and females ages 6 and older	
Behavioral counseling to prevent sexually transmitted infections	Males and females	
Counseling and interventions to prevent tobacco use and tobacco-caused disease in adults and pregnant women counseling and interventions (adults)		
Counseling and Interventions to Prevent Tobacco Use in Children and Adolescents	Males and females	
Screening for visual impairment in children under age 5	Children under age 5	
Behavioral Counseling to Prevent Skin Cancer	Males and females, age 10-24	
Hearing tests (Bright Futures services)	Males and females ages 0-21, once per year	
Developmental/autism screening	Males and females ages 0-2	
Lead screening	Males and females, ages 0-21	
TB testing	Males and females, ages 0-21	
Dyslipidemia screening	Males and females, ages 24 months-21 years	
Metabolic screening panel	Males and females, ages 0-90 days	

# Services Mandated by PPACA cont.

Type of Preventive Service	PPACA Requirements
Anemia screening in children	Males and females, ages 0-21
Prevention of Falls in Community-Dwelling Older Adults	Males and females, age 65 or older
Screening for Intimate Partner Violence	Females
Medications that reduce the risk of primary breast cancer	Females at increased risk for breast cancer
Screening for Lung Cancer, with Low-Dose Computed Tomography	Males and Females, age 55-80
Fluoride Application in Primary Care	Males and Females, age 0-6

The following chart describes services that are mandated by the Act and UMR standard coding criteria. UMR uses the UnitedHealthcare Coverage Determination Guideline as the basis for our preventive services approach. To finalize our approach, we also consider system capabilities, customer preferences and whether UMR considered the service preventive prior to PPACA.

In addition to the UMR standard coding criteria covering mandated services, UMR is recommending four additional services be included as preventive – CT colonography, PSA screenings for men over 40, colorectal cancer screening for all ages, screening mammography for all women regardless of age. Plans may choose to implement UMR's standard coding only or the recommended list with these four additional services.

Mandated Preventive Service	UMR standard coding criteria
Abdominal aortic aneurysm screening	Ages 65-75
Bacteriuria screening	During Pregnancy
Chlamydia infection screening	Covered (coded as preventive prior to PPACA, venipuncture covered as preventive when billed with preventive diagnosis code)
Gonorrhea screening	Covered (coded as preventive prior to PPACA)
Hepatitis B virus infection screening	During Pregnancy, and Persons at High Risk (venipuncture covered as preventive when billed with preventive diagnosis code)
Hepatitis C virus infection screening	Covered (venipuncture covered as preventive when billed with preventive diagnosis code)
HIV screening for adolescents and adults	Covered (coded as preventive prior to PPACA, venipuncture covered as preventive when billed with preventive diagnosis code)
Rh incompatibility screening	During Pregnancy (coded as preventive when billed with preventive diagnosis code)
Syphilis screening	Covered (coded as preventive prior to PPACA, venipuncture covered as preventive when billed with preventive diagnosis code)
Genetic Counseling and Evaluation for BRCA Testing; and BRCA Lab Screening	Covered

#### Services Mandated by PPACA (UMR Approach)

# Services Mandated by PPACA (UMR Approach) Cont.

Mandated Preventive Service	UMR standard coding criteria	
Diabetes screening	Covered (coded as preventive prior to PPACA)	
Rubella screening by history of vaccination or by serology	Covered (venipuncture covered as preventive when billed with preventive diagnosis code)	
Mammography screening	Ages 40 and above, one every year	
Pap smear, cervical cancer screening	Covered	
Cholesterol screening (lipid disorders screening)	Covered (venipuncture covered as preventive when billed with preventive diagnosis code)	
Colorectal cancer screening	Ages 50-75	
Wellness exams	Covered	
Immunizations	Age and gender appropriate	
Newborn screening	Ages 0-90 days	
Osteoporosis screening	Covered (coded as preventive prior to PPACA)	
Screening and behavior counseling, interventions in primary care to reduce alcohol misuse	Covered	
Aspirin for prevention of cardiovascular disease	Covered (typically included in preventive office visit)	
Screening for high blood pressure (Clinical and Ambulatory Measurement)	Covered (typically included in preventive office visit)	
Chemoprevention of breast cancer	Covered (coded as preventive prior to PPACA)	
Primary care intervention to promote breast feeding	Covered (typically included in preventive office visit)	
Prevention of dental caries in pre-school children	Covered	
Screening for depression in adults and major depressive disorder in children and adolescents	Covered	
Behavioral counseling in primary care to promote a healthy diet	Covered	
Screening for obesity in adults	Covered	
Screening for obesity in children and adolescents	Ages 6 and older	

# Services Mandated by PPACA (UMR Approach) Cont.

Mandated Preventive Service	UMR standard coding criteria	
Behavioral counseling to prevent sexually transmitted infections	Covered	
Counseling and interventions to prevent tobacco use and tobacco-caused disease in adults and pregnant women counseling and interventions (adults)	Covered Effective plan years on or after 1/1/15 interventions include prescription and over the counter tobacco cessation products.	
Counseling and Interventions to Prevent Tobacco Use in Children and Adolescents	Covered	
Screening for visual impairment in children under age 5	Covered (typically included in preventive office visit)	
Behavioral Counseling to Prevent Skin Cancer	Males and females, age 10-24	
Hearing tests (Bright Futures services)	Ages 0-21, once per year	
Developmental/autism screening	Ages 0-2 (ends on 3 <sup>rd</sup> birthday)	
Lead screening	Ages 0-21 (venipuncture covered as preventive when billed with preventive diagnosis code)	
TB testing	Ages 0-21	
Dyslipidemia screening	Ages 0-21 (venipuncture covered as preventive when billed with preventive diagnosis code	
Metabolic screening panel	Ages 0-90 days (venipuncture covered as preventive when billed with preventive diagnosis code	
Anemia screening in children	Ages 0-21 (venipuncture covered as preventive when billed with preventive diagnosis code)	
Prevention of Falls in Community-Dwelling Older Adults	Ages 65 or older (typically included in preventive office visit)	
Screening for Intimate Partner Violence	Covered (typically included in preventive office visit)	
Medications that reduce the risk of primary breast cancer	Ages 35 or older, that meet clinical criteria	
Screening for Lung Cancer, with Low-Dose Computed Tomography	Ages 55-80, once per year	
Fluoride Application in Primary Care	Ages 0-6	

### Women's Preventive Health Services Expanded health plan coverage guidelines

Under the Affordable Care Act (ACA), women's preventive health care, such as mammograms, cervical cancer screenings and prenatal care, is covered with no cost sharing for new health plans. The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) introduced expanded coverage for women's preventive services on Aug. 1, 2011.

Non-grandfathered plans and issuers were required to provide coverage without cost sharing consistent with these expanded guidelines in the first plan year that began on or after Aug. 1, 2012.

The requirements for women's expanded preventive health services are the same as the current preventive care rule under PPACA.

Type of Preventive Service	PPACA Requirements	Expanded Women's Preventive
Well-woman examinations*	Annually	As many as necessary to obtain specified preventive services
Well-woman examinations (prenatal)	Some lab services explicitly required in HHS rules Tobacco cessation counseling specific to pregnant women	As many as necessary to obtain specified preventive services, <b>including</b> : • Routine prenatal obstetrical office visits/low risk, uncomplicated pregnancies • All lab services explicitly required in HHS rules • Tobacco cessation counseling specific to pregnant women • Immunizations, especially directed to pregnant women <b>Excludes:</b> • Radiology services not specified in HHS requirements • Delivery • High-risk prenatal services
Screening for gestational diabetes*	Pregnant women at risk	All pregnant women (24-28 weeks); high-risk women screened twice

#### PPACA expanded services for women compared to Sept. 23, 2010 preventive implementation

Type of Preventive Service	PPACA Requirements	Expanded Women's Preventive
Human papillomavirus (HPV) DNA testing	Women at risk	All women age 30 and older, every three years
Counseling for sexually transmitted infections*	Women at risk (teenaged, pregnancy, lifestyle)	All sexually active women
Counseling and screening for human immune-deficiency (HIV) virus*	Women at risk (pregnancy, lifestyle)	All sexually active women
Counseling for and payment of FDA-approved contraceptive methods, including sterilizations	Not applicable	All methods, all women Note: Contact prescription benefits manager
Breastfeeding support, supplies, and counseling	Coverage for counseling only	Part of pre/post-natal counseling, coverage for rental of breast-feeding equipment
Screening and counseling for domestic violence	Women at risk	All women

\* UMR considered these services preventive prior to health care reform and, if applicable, payable to both women and men.

#### FDA-approved contraception methods requiring first-dollar coverage:

- Contraceptive medications (including sterilization)
- Barrier methods (diaphragms)
- Hormonal methods
- Emergency contraception

Customers should work with their prescription benefits manager to determine reasonable medical management techniques, such as tiers, exclusions, ancillary charges, notification and step therapy to control costs and promote delivery of care.

#### **Religious exemption and Eligible Organization**

Contraceptive coverage final rules released on June 28, 2013 simplified the Religious Employer Exemption (REE) requirements for plan years beginning on or after Aug. 1, 2013. The REE definition is simplified to mean a non-profit religious employer under Internal Revenue Code. Religious Employer refers to churches, other houses of worship, their integrated auxiliaries and conventions or association of churches, as well as the exclusively religious activities of any religious order. These plans can continue to exclude coverage for contraceptives.

An Eligible Organization is a non-profit religious organization with religious objections to covering contraceptive services. On Jul. 14, 2015, final rules were released that expanded the Eligible Organization accommodation to closely held for-profit entities with religious objections. Those organizations that self-certify as an Eligible Organization may exclude coverage for some or all contraceptive services. A self-certification form (EBSA Form 700) from the Department of Labor must be completed by employers claiming the Eligible Organization. EBSA 700 forms should be submitted to your Strategic Account Executive. An Eligible Organization may use the alternate process to notify HHS of its objection. HHS will then notify the Eligible Organization's insurers or TPAs.

Type of Preventive Service	UMR standard coding criteria	Available Comments/Variations
Well-woman examinations	As many as necessary to obtain specified preventive services	<b>Comment:</b> Considered preventive prior to health care reform and currently covered under preventive benefits (refer to the UMR Standard coding criteria in Preventive table above).
Well-woman examinations (prenatal)	<ul> <li>As many as necessary to obtain specified preventive services, including: <ul> <li>Routine prenatal obstetrical office visits/low risk, uncomplicated pregnancies</li> <li>All lab services explicitly required in HHS rules</li> <li>Tobacco cessation counseling during pregnancy</li> <li>Immunizations, especially directed during pregnancy</li> </ul> </li> <li>Excludes: <ul> <li>Radiology services not specified in HHS requirements</li> <li>Delivery</li> <li>High-risk prenatal services</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Comment: Global maternity claims will be paid based on a percentage split:</li> <li>Routine prenatal visits represent 44% of eligible expenses and must be covered under the preventive care benefit</li> <li>The remaining 56% of eligible expenses will be covered under the medical benefit</li> </ul>
Screening for diabetes	<ul> <li>Diabetes screening procedure covered when billed with:</li> <li>Pregnancy ICD-9 code OR</li> <li>Hypertension ICD-9 diagnosis code</li> <li>OR</li> <li>Diabetes screening ICD-9 diagnosis code</li> </ul>	<b>Comment:</b> Considered preventive prior to health care reform and currently covered under preventive benefits (refer to the UMR Standard coding criteria in Preventive table above).

#### UMR Approach (and variations on guidelines)

# UMR Approach (and variations on guidelines)cont.

Type of Preventive Service	UMR standard coding criteria	Available Comments/Variations
Human papillomavirus (HPV) DNA testing	Ages 30 and older	<i>Variation:</i> Age (remove age restriction) <i>Variation:</i> Frequency (1 every 3 years)
Counseling for sexually transmitted infections	Covered	<i>Comment:</i> Considered preventive prior to health care reform and currently covered under preventive benefits (refer to the UMR Standard coding criteria in Preventive table above).
Counseling and screening for human immune-deficiency (HIV) virus	Covered	<b>Comment:</b> Considered preventive prior to health care reform and currently covered under preventive benefits (refer to the UMR Standard coding criteria in Preventive table above).
Counseling for and payment of FDA-approved contraceptive methods, including sterilizations	All methods	<i>Comment:</i> Contact prescription benefits manager <i>Variation:</i> Cover vasectomy
Breastfeeding support, supplies, and counseling	Part of pre/post-natal counseling, coverage for purchase of an electric breast pump and the rental up to the full purchase price of a hospital grade pump when received through a DME provider. One per delivery.	<i>Variation:</i> Employers can choose to cover purchases of breast pumps at a retail store (i.e. Target) and members submit receipts for reimbursement.
Screening and counseling for domestic violence	Covered	<i>Comment:</i> Considered preventive prior to health care reform and currently covered under preventive benefits (refer to the UMR Standard coding criteria in Preventive table above).