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EPSDT Periodicity Schedule

Medicaid previously adopted the “Recommendations for Preventive Pediatric Health Care” periodicity schedule promulgated by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)/Bright Futures. Effective immediately, Medicaid will no longer maintain a separate Louisiana Medicaid Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) Periodicity Schedule and will refer providers to the AAP periodicity schedule available [here](#).

Two exceptions to the AAP/Bright Futures schedule will continue to apply to Louisiana’s Medicaid program:

- 1) The Louisiana Medicaid EPSDT screening guidelines and policies apply to individuals under 21 years of age; and
- 2) The Louisiana Medicaid schedule has stricter requirements for lead assessment and blood lead screening. These requirements can be found in the Louisiana public health rule LAC 48:V.7005-7009 and the Medicaid Professional Services Manual, “Public Health Surveillance Mandates” section.

More information about lead poisoning prevention in children can be found [here](#).

The AAP Bright Futures “Recommendations for Preventive Pediatric Health Care” can be found [here](#).