# PREVENTIVE CARE





## Highlights of your preventive care benefits

You pay nothing – no coinsurance, copayment or deductible – for covered preventive care services when you visit in-network providers. Preventive care benefits for services from out-of-network providers are subject to your out-of-network benefit.

The listed preventive care services may be adjusted to agree with federal government changes, updates and revisions.

Updates for 2021: Added perinatal depression counseling and intervention for pregnant women or women who may become pregnant. Replaced the term "aortic aneurysm screening" with "abdominal aortic aneurysm screening." Replaced the term "transmittable diseases screening" with "transmittable disease screening and counseling."

Services for adults (18 years and older)	Services for adults (continued)	Services for children (17 years and younger)
Alcohol – unhealthy use screening Annual adult physical examinations Abdominal aortic aneurysm screening Behavioral counseling for participants who are overweight or obese Bone density Breast cancer (BRCA) risk assessment and genetic counseling and testing for high-risk family history of breast or ovarian cancer Chemistry panels Cholesterol screening Colorectal cancer screening Colorectal cancer screening Dietary counseling (limited to three visits per participant, per benefit period) Health risk assessment for depression Hepatitis B virus screening Hepatitis C virus infection screening HIV assessment Lung cancer screening for participants age 55 and older Pap test	<ul> <li>PSA test</li> <li>Screening and assessment for interpersonal and domestic violence</li> <li>Screening mammogram</li> <li>Skin cancer prevention counseling</li> <li>Smoking cessation counseling visit</li> <li>Sexually transmitted infections assessment</li> <li>Transmittable disease screening and counseling (chlamydia, gonorrhea, human immunodeficiency virus [HIV], human papillomavirus [HPV], syphilis, tuberculosis [TB])</li> <li>Thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH)</li> <li>Urinalysis (UA)</li> <li>Urinary incontinence screening</li> <li>Well-woman visits for recommended age- appropriate preventive services</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Anemia screening</li> <li>Dental fluoride application for participants age 5 and younger</li> <li>Lipid disorder screening</li> <li>Preventive lead screening</li> <li>Rubella screening</li> <li>Skin cancer prevention counseling</li> <li>Routine or scheduled well-baby and well-child examinations, including vision, hearing and developmental screenings</li> <li>Newborn screenings: <ul> <li>Hearing test</li> <li>Metabolic screening (PKU, thyroxine, sickle cell)</li> <li>Screening EKG</li> </ul> </li> <li>Please note: Not all children require all the services identified above. Your provider should give you information about your child's growth development and general health, and answer any questions you may have.</li> </ul>
	Services for pregnant women or women who may become pregnant	
	<ul> <li>Breastfeeding support, supplies and counseling</li> <li>Gestational diabetes screening</li> <li>Iron deficiency screening</li> <li>Perinatal depression counseling and intervention</li> <li>Preeclampsia screening</li> <li>Prescribed contraceptive coverage<sup>1</sup></li> <li>RhD incompatibility screening</li> <li>Urine culture</li> </ul>	

to the specific contraceptive drug or supply. Prescribed contraceptive services include diaphragms, intrauterine devices (IUDs), implantables, injections and tubal ligation.

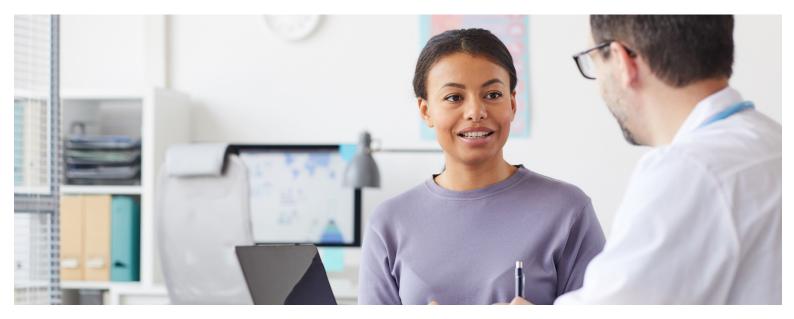


#### Immunization

Acellular pertussis Diphtheria Haemophilus influenzae B Hepatitis B Influenza Measles Mumps Pneumococcal (pneumonia) Poliomyelitis (polio) Rotavirus Rubella Tetanus Varicella (chicken pox) Hepatitis A Meningococcal Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Zoster Other immunizations not specifically listed may be covered at the discretion of Blue Cross of Idaho when medically necessary.

**Please note:** Your provider must bill these services as preventive/wellness services.

The descriptions above are general in nature, to allow for an overall view of Blue Cross of Idaho's preventive care coverage. For complete descriptions of your policy and policy changes, please read your policy and policy amendment language.



# **Preventive Schedule**

### Make a Plan for Your Health

People plan ahead for many things – vacations, buying tickets to the big game or making reservations at busy restaurants – because they want to make sure they have access to things that are important.

Planning ahead in healthcare is a good idea, too. There are certain services that you need annually, including wellness visits and flu shots, which you can schedule months in advance. By doing so, you can be sure you aren't scrambling to find an appointment later in the year.

Scheduling early also has other benefits, like being able to choose the time of your visit. Whether you prefer morning, afternoon or weekend appointments, scheduling early gives you the best chance at getting the dates and times you prefer.

CHECK WHEN COMPLETED	FREQUENCY	DATE SCHEDULED
Annual wellness exam	Every 12 months	
Blood pressure test	At least every year <sup>2</sup>	
Cholesterol test	Every 5 years <sup>2</sup>	
Body mass index test	Every year	
Bone mass measurement	Every 1-2 years	
Breast cancer screening	Ask my doctor	
Colon cancer screening	Ask my doctor	
Diabetes screening (A1C)	At least annually <sup>2</sup>	
🗖 Flu vaccine	Every year	
Pneumonia vaccine	Once after age 65	

<sup>2</sup>Your primary care provider (PCP) will help you decide if you need more frequent screenings.

Depending on your health and personal risk factors, your preventive care schedule may differ from the standard recommendations. Talk with your doctor about a schedule that's best for you. If you have particular risk factors like a chronic disease, obesity, or a family history of a disease, your PCP may recommend additional screenings.