Well child care benefits, including checkups and immunizations, aim to promote good health and both early detection and prevention of illness in children enrolled in the State Health Plan. Covered children are eligible for well child care exams until they turn age 19.

How It Works

This benefit covers well child care exams and immunizations, which must be performed by a network professional. When these services are received from a State Health Plan or BlueCard network doctor, benefits will be paid at 100 percent of the allowed amount.

The State Health Plan covers services specific to certain ages as recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics. The State Health Plan will not pay for services from out-of-network providers.

Some services may not be considered part of Well Child Care. For example, if during a well-child visit a fever and sore throat were discovered, the lab work to verify the diagnosis would not be part of the routine visit. These charges, if covered, would be subject to the copayment, deductible, and coinsurance, as would any other medical expense.

Well Child Exams

The plan pays 100 percent of the allowed amount for approved routine exams, Centers for Disease Control-recommended immunizations, American Academy of Pediatrics-recommended services specific to certain ages, and lab tests when an in-network doctor provides these checkups:

Child's Age	# of Allowed Visits
Younger than 1 year old	up to six visits
1 year old	up to three visits
2 years old	up to two visits
3 years old until he turns 19 years old	one visit a year
The well child care exam must occur after the child's birthday	

Immunizations

Benefits are provided for all immunizations at the appropriate ages that the American Academy of Pediatrics(AAP) recommends for children through age 18. To ensure that the immunization will be covered, the child must have reached the age at which the AAP schedule says the immunization should be given.

If your covered child has delayed or missed receiving immunizations at the recommended times, the Plan will pay for immunizations through age 18, for the vaccines listed, subject to the age limitations. Please contact your pediatrician for the most up-to-date information about immunizing your child.

More information can be found in the PEBA Insurance Benefits Guide at peba.sc.gov.





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