

CHDP Program Services

The CHDP program helps prevent and identify health problems through regular, no cost health assessments. A health assessment includes:

- Health and developmental history
- Physical exam
- Immunizations
- Oral health screening
- Nutrition assessment
- Behavioral health assessment
- Vision screening
- Hearing screening
- Screening tests for anemia, blood lead, Tuberculosis, urine abnormalities, and other problems, as needed
- Health Education

At the time of the health assessment, a CHDP program provider can also make referrals for needed services, including:

- The Supplemental Nutrition program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) for children up to age 5
- Dentists for preventive or restorative care
- Mental/behavioral health services
- Other specialty care or resources, as needed

School Entry Requirements

The CHDP program works with schools to meet the state requirement of completing a health assessment 18 months prior to or up to 90 days after enrollment of first grade. For the “Report of Health Examination for School Entry” form, visit DHCS online at: www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp.

Information

For more information about CHDP, including locating a CHDP provider, finding health resources for children, or becoming a CHDP provider, contact your local CHDP office.

You can find your local CHDP office by visiting the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) website at: www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp

- Regular health assessments are important to keep children healthy. Treated early, health issues can:**
- Be easier to correct
 - Save medical costs
 - Prevent problems from becoming more serious



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Child Health & Disability Prevention (CHDP) Program

A Preventive Health Program for California Infants, Children, and Teens



California's CHDP Program

The Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP) program is a health promotion and disease prevention program designed to meet federal Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) requirements. Using state and federal funds, the CHDP program reimburses enrolled health care providers for delivering health assessments and preventive health services to eligible children.

The CHDP program aims to prevent and identify health problems through regular, no cost health assessments and assure that children have access to ongoing health care. These health assessments are free of charge to eligible children.

State CHDP Program

State administrative offices are located in the Systems of Care Division of California's Department of Health Care Services. The CHDP program develops and implements standards that guide the provision of quality preventive health services in California.

Local CHDP Programs

The CHDP program is operated at the City/County level and is responsible for: recruitment, certification and training of CHDP providers, care coordination, health promotion, and community outreach to eligible families.

Local CHDP programs assist families in obtaining diagnostic and treatment services for medical, dental, and mental/behavioral health problems identified during a health assessment. Providers may call their local CHDP program to request assistance for their CHDP patients.

Care Coordination

Many problems can be prevented, corrected, or reduced in severity with prompt diagnosis and treatment. Children identified with a suspected problem during a health assessment are referred for necessary diagnosis and treatment. To ensure that children receive needed health services, the CHDP program collaborates with:

- Health professionals, including doctors, dentists, nurses, and nutritionists
- Public and private health organizations, including Public Health departments, mental/behavioral health programs, community clinics, and private care practices
- Schools and social services agencies

CHDP Periodicity Schedule

Health assessments ensure children are growing healthy and receive all needed immunizations and other preventive services. Children should receive a CHDP health assessment according to the following periodicity schedule:

Birth-1 month	10-12 months	4-5 years
1-2 months	13-15 months	6-8 years
3-4 months	16-23 months	9-12 years
5-6 months	2 years	13-16 years
7-9 months	3 years	17-20 years



Eligibility

Medi-Cal Infants, Children, and Teens

Children up to age 20 with Medi-Cal are eligible to receive CHDP program services. Children enrolled in Medi-Cal managed care plans receive services through their health care plan. Children enrolled in fee-for-service Medi-Cal receive services provided by CHDP enrolled Medi-Cal providers.

Oral Health and Dental Care

Children up to age 20 with Medi-Cal may receive preventive and restorative dental services at any time through Denti-Cal. For more information, call 1-800-322-6384.

Referrals to dentists are recommended for children beginning at age one (1). CHDP program providers are required to make a referral to a dentist annually beginning at age three (3).

Mental/Behavioral Health Services

Children up to age 20 with Medi-Cal are eligible to receive mental/behavioral health services through local health agencies.

Income-Eligible Infants, Children, and Teens

Children up to age 18 not enrolled in Medi-Cal with a family income at or below 200% of the Federal Income Guidelines are eligible to receive CHDP program services.

To maximize opportunities for children to enroll into state and federally funded health insurance programs, the CHDP program also uses CHDP Gateway which electronically screens and temporarily enrolls eligible children in fee-for-service, full-scope Medi-Cal. Families must complete a Medi-Cal application to continue health insurance coverage. Low-income children not eligible for Medi-Cal may continue to receive CHDP services according to the periodicity schedule.