

MEDICARE GUIDELINES FOR PREVENTIVE SERVICES

Medicare covers a broad range of services to prevent disease, detect disease early when it is most treatable and curable, and manage disease so that complications can be avoided. Unfortunately, older adults are not receiving all recommended preventive services, even with frequent visits to physician offices. Reasons for this vary, but highlight the opportunity to improve preventive care for older adults.

The CMS Prevention section is an information resource to help support the delivery and promotion of Medicare preventive benefits, including:

- "Welcome to Medicare" visit (includes a referral for an ultrasound screening for Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm for eligible beneficiaries)
- Adult Immunization--Influenza Immunization, Pneumococcal Vaccination, Hepatitis B Vaccination
- Colorectal Cancer Screening
- Screening Mammography
- Screening Pap Test and Pelvic Examination
- Prostate Cancer Screening
- Cardiovascular Disease Screening
- Diabetes Screening
- Glaucoma Screening
- Bone Mass Measurement
- Diabetes Self-Management, Supplies, and Services
- Medical Nutrition Therapy
- Smoking Cessation

Resources:

For more information on Medicare preventive services, visit <http://www.cms.gov/PrevntionGenInfo/> on the CMS website.

For more information on Medicare Learning Network[®] (MLN) preventive services educational products, visit

http://www.cms.gov/MLNProducts/35_PreventiveServices.asp on the CMS website.

Please also see the attached Quick reference information for preventive services.

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