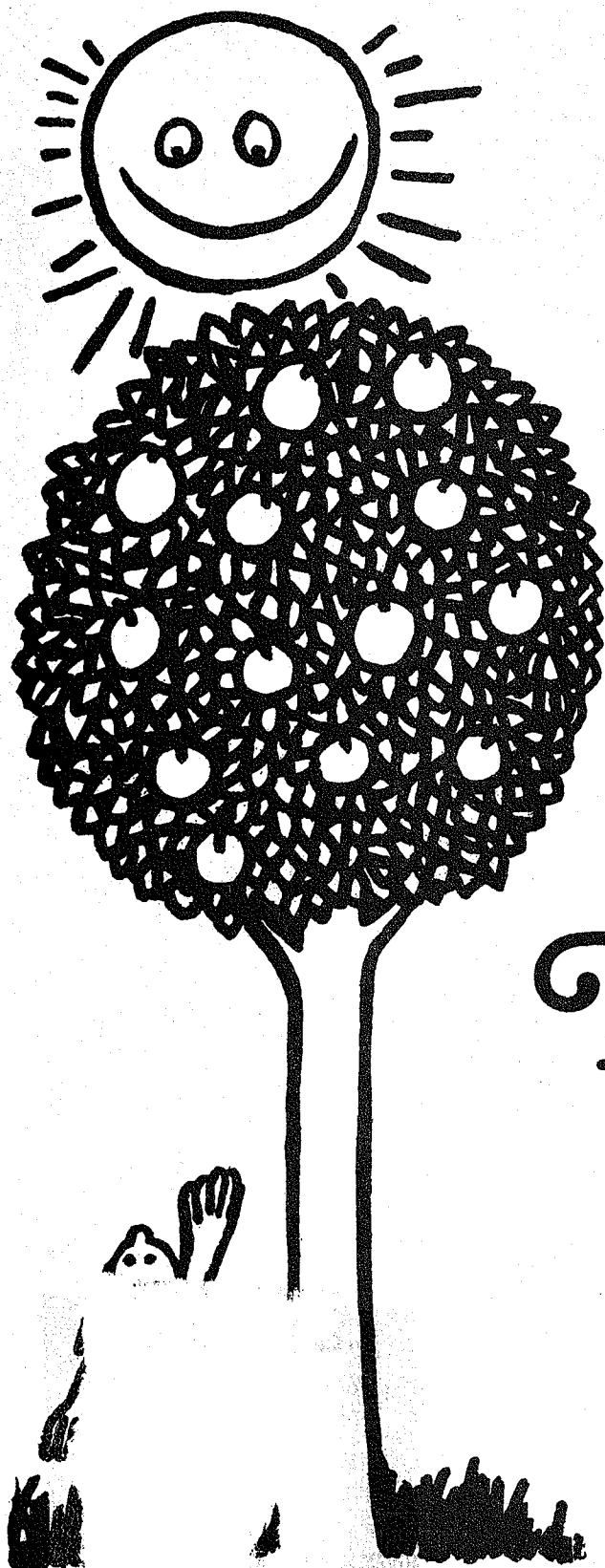


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## EPSDT

### Provider handbook



STATE OF MINNESOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

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## FOREWORD

### Purpose of this Handbook

This handbook has been prepared for the information and guidance of providers who participate in the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Program.

CHAPTER ONE — General Information and Background

CHAPTER TWO — Screening Components

CHAPTER THREE — Completion of the EPSDT Invoice

CHAPTER FOUR — The Remittance Advice

Page changes and supplements to this handbook will be forwarded as needed.

### Further Information

#### A. Policy and Procedure

All questions concerning policy and procedures for the EPSDT Program should be directed to:

EPSDT Section  
Bureau of Income Maintenance  
Minnesota Department of Public Welfare  
Fourth Floor Centennial Office Building  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155  
Telephone: 612-296-3883 (call collect)

#### B. Questions concerning *specific* EPSDT claims submitted for payment should be directed to:

EPSDT Claims Processing  
Medical Assistance Program

Minnesota Department of Public Welfare

690 North Robert Street

Box 43170

St. Paul, Minnesota 55164

Telephone: Local - 296-7668

Long Distance - Within Minnesota: 1-800-652-9747 ext. 6-7668 (toll free)

Long Distance - Outside Minnesota: 612-296-7668 (call collect)

#### C. Recipient Eligibility

Eligible recipients will have a Medical Assistance ID card showing eligibility for the current month. See Appendix D for a sample of this card.

Questions about a person's eligibility should be directed to the local welfare agency.

#### D. Forms and Handbooks

The Child Screening Form (DPW-1973), EPSDT Envelope (DPW-1865) and other forms may be ordered free of charge from DPW Welfare Forms Supply on the Requestion Form (DPW-121). See Appendix A for a sample of this form.

Requests for additional handbooks should be sent to:

EPSDT Section  
Bureau of Income Maintenance  
Department of Public Welfare  
Fourth Floor Centennial Office Building  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

*NOTE: Names and places used in this handbook are fictitious.*



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# GENERAL INFORMATION AND BACKGROUND

## CHAPTER ONE

### A. WHAT IS EPSDT?

The Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment Program is designed to bring comprehensive health care to children (age 0 to 21) eligible for Medical Assistance. Outreach efforts focus on children from families receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC).

The program is based on a preventive health philosophy of discovering and treating health problems before they become disabling and therefore far more costly to treat in terms of both human and financial resources. The program is comprehensive, designed to examine all aspects of a child's well-being and correct any problems that are discovered.

### B. WHAT DOES EPSDT MEAN?

**Early** means as soon as possible in the child's life (in case of a family already receiving assistance), or as soon as a family's eligibility for assistance has been established.

**Periodic** means at intervals established for screening by medical, dental and other health care experts to assure that disease or disability has not appeared since the child's last evaluation. The types of procedures performed and their frequency will depend on the child's age and health history. In Minnesota, the following ages for re-screening have been established: birth to 6 months according to the physician's well-baby schedule, 9 months, 1 year, 18 months, 2 years, 4 years, every 3 years thereafter.

**Screening** is the use of quick, simple procedures to sort out apparently well persons from those who need more definitive study of possible physical or developmental problems.

**Diagnosis** is the determination of the nature or cause of physical or mental disease or abnormality through the combined use of health history, physical, developmental and psychological examination, and laboratory test and X-rays.

In Minnesota Department of Health-approved screening clinics, children are screened by nurses and trained volunteers; therefore all suspected abnormalities found in these clinics are referred to the appropriate practitioner or medical facility for definitive evaluation.

Physicians who do EPSDT screenings may diagnose and treat health problems uncovered during the screening or they may refer the child to other appropriate sources for such care.

**Treatment** means physician's or dentist's services or any other type of medical care and services recognized under State law, to prevent, correct or ameliorate disease or abnormalities detected by screening and diagnostic procedures.

Physicians may screen, diagnose and treat during one office visit. For example, a hemoglobin test may show a low blood count (screening). From the test result, the physician decides that the child is suffering from anemia (diagnosis). He/she prescribes iron supplements for the child (treatment). Although in this example the entire EPSDT process took place during one office visit, the three separate components are identifiable.

### C. WHAT IS MEDICAL ASSISTANCE?

Medical Assistance (M.A., Minnesota's name for the federal Medicaid or Title XIX program) is a federal-state program which provides payment for the medical care of persons whose income and resources are inadequate to meet the cost of such care. This program includes people who receive income maintenance assistance such as Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), as well as other persons whose resources are not adequate to meet the cost of medical care. Eligibility for Medical Assistance is determined by local welfare agencies. Payment is made to a broad range of medical providers by the State Department of Public Welfare's Centralized Disbursement System.

### D. WHAT IS THE RELATIONSHIP OF EPSDT TO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE?

The EPSDT Program was enacted by the United States Congress as an amendment to Title XIX (the Medical Assistance provision) of the Social Security Act. The amendment was passed because researchers had found that many children who were eligible for free health care under Medical Assistance were not receiving the care for a variety of reasons. If these children were not drawn into the health care system, their health problems would worsen and require very costly treatment in the future. Federal law mandates

efforts that reach out to parents to convince them to bring their children into the health care system. By evaluating supposedly well children, the EPSDT Program is designed to discover health problems in the early stages and treat such problems before they become far more serious.

Also, the Medical Assistance Program varies greatly among the different states in terms of what medical services are covered. Although Minnesota provided all health services before the EPSDT Program began, some states did not provide vision, hearing or dental services to children eligible for Medical Assistance. The EPSDT amendment requires that all states provide these services to children ages 0 to 21 who are eligible for Medical Assistance.

As part of the Medical Assistance Program any expenditures for health services under EPSDT are paid for from Medical Assistance funds. However, the EPSDT Program includes more than the payment of health services. Outreach to bring children into the health care system and follow-up to ensure that the child receives all needed treatment are unique to the EPSDT Program.

#### **E. WHAT DOES FEDERAL EPSDT LAW REQUIRE OF THE STATES?**

The law passed by Congress in 1967 required all states to implement an EPSDT Program for their Title XIX children. An additional amendment passed by Congress in 1972, which went into effect in July of 1974, added a penalty provision to the EPSDT law. If states do not operate an EPSDT Program according to Department of Health, Education and Welfare regulations, the federal share of a state's Title IV-A (AFDC) funds will be reduced by one percent per quarter. This penalty amendment shows Congress' determination to implement the EPSDT Program in all states.

May 18, 1979, HEW published new penalty regulations for the EPSDT Program. These regulations require states to inform recipients of the availability of EPSDT services, to provide transportation and appointment scheduling for screening and treatment examinations if the client wishes, and to provide certain follow-up services. The regulations also require that all children who accept EPSDT services be referred to a dentist for dental services. HEW will impose the penalty on any state which fails to show that 75% of the children were screened and began treatment within 120 days of acceptance, and 95% of the children were screened and began treatment within 180 days of acceptance. Cases may be exempted from this penalty liability if the state can show that the failure to receive services was due to the client's decision. Children due for a periodic re-screening and children who were never screened must be notified of the continuing availability of EPSDT services.

#### **F. WHAT IS THE PLACE OF SCREENING IN HEALTH CARE?**

The purpose of a health screening program is to bring needed medical care to children who are not receiving it. Screening programs accomplish this goal by identifying children with health problems or needs that have not been recognized or have not been fully cared for, and by ensuring that these problems are adequately diagnosed and treated.

A child may fail to receive health care for several reasons:

- because the problem can be detected only by special tests or observations,
- because the medical importance of a problem or symptom is not recognized,
- because appropriate care has not been sought for a recognized problem,
- because needed preventive services have not been utilized,
- because the child has been neglected or abused.

A health screening program supplements available health care services. EPSDT is meant to be only a fraction of the total, regular, continuing health supervision which every child requires.

#### **G. WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE EPSDT PROGRAM?**

All persons from birth to age twenty-one who are eligible for Medical Assistance are also eligible for the Title XIX EPSDT Program. If the child (or parent) has a valid Medical Assistance Identification Card with the child's name and number listed, the screening provider can be certain that the child is eligible for the Title XIX EPSDT Program and that payment will be made by Medical Assistance for the screening services rendered. Even if the person eligible for Medical Assistance is a parent, he/she is eligible for EPSDT services if he/she is under 21.

#### **H. WHO ARE EPSDT SCREENING PROVIDERS?**

The following types of providers offer EPSDT screening services to Title XIX eligible children:

1. Licensed physicians, outpatient hospitals and community or public health clinics:  
Any licensed physician, any outpatient hospital, or any community or public health clinic supervised by a licensed physician can become an EPSDT screening provider.
2. Nurse-supervised screening clinics:  
Nurse-supervised screening clinics provide screening services according to standards established by the Minnesota Department of Health. They operate under the supervision of a registered nurse, public health nurse, or pediatric/family nurse practitioner. Both Early Periodic Screening (EPS) clinics and independent nurse-supervised clinics can become EPSDT screening providers by receiving approval from the Minnesota Department of Health.
3. Pre-School Screening (PSS) Clinics:  
PSS clinics have been established in all school districts in Minnesota in response to the Preschool Screening legislation passed in May, 1977. The law requires that comprehensive health and developmental screening be offered free of charge to every child at least once before entering kindergarten. School districts may contract with physicians, nurses and EPS clinics to perform the screenings. The PSS screening is equivalent to an EPSDT screening.

#### **I. WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SCREENING PROVIDER PARTICIPATION?**

Any of the above health care providers may be reimbursed for EPSDT screening if they have signed a Medical Assistance Provider Agreement (see Appendix G) and further agree to:

1. Screen each Medical Assistance child according to the standards specified in Chapter Two.
2. Report all findings of EPSDT screenings on the Child Screening Form (DPW-1973).
3. Refer children for diagnosis and treatment as specified on page 15.

These additional requirements for screening providers are contained in the EPSDT Provider Agreement. (See Appendix F.) All EPSDT providers must sign the agreement.

**J. WHO MAY PROVIDE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT?**

Any health care provider licensed under state law who has signed a Medical Assistance Provider Agreement may provide appropriate diagnostic and treatment services to a child who has been screened. In many instances, the diagnosis and treatment provider will be the same as the screening provider.

Diagnosis and treatment providers do not sign a special supplemental agreement, but they must bill according to the conditions of their Medical Assistance Provider Agreement.

**K. WHAT DOES FREE CHOICE OF PROVIDER MEAN IN THE EPSDT PROGRAM?**

The Medical Assistance Program provides recipients with a free choice of participating local medical provider. Since EPSDT is part of the Medical Assistance Program, the free choice provision also applies to EPS.

For screenings, free choice means that recipients are given a list of screening providers by the local welfare agency when they express an interest in EPSDT. The list includes all providers who have signed an EPSDT Provider Agreement in the local area. The recipient may then choose a screening provider from any of the providers listed.

If the screening results in a need for a referral, the recipient has free choice of diagnosis and treatment

provider which extends to any provider who is enrolled in the Medical Assistance Program; the provider may or may not be an EPSDT screening provider.

**L. HOW ARE EPSDT SERVICES REVIEWED?**

Reimbursement claims for EPSDT services are subject to the same audit and review process as all MA services.

Additionally, EPSDT is concerned that all components of an EPSDT screening are provided consistently by all EPSDT providers. Any complaints or concerns raised by clients regarding EPSDT services are handled in the following manner:

1. The complaint is first discussed with the client to ensure that the client understands exactly what components are included in an EPSDT screening and to confirm the substance of the complaint. This discussion may resolve the issue if the client did not understand the age-related screening components.
2. If the complaint or concern about the service cannot be settled by this contact with the client, the provider will be contacted by EPSDT program staff by phone or in person to discuss the issue. The purpose of this contact is to review program requirements with the provider and to ensure that the provider understands what screening components are to be included in an EPSDT screening for different aged children. This discussion should enable the provider to review requirements for participation as an EPSDT provider and to determine if all screening components are being provided to Medical Assistance-eligible children.
3. If further concerns or complaints are received for the same provider after the contact described above, the complaint will be referred to Surveillance and Utilization Review Section (SURS) for their review and possible investigation. SURS is the administrative unit within the Department of Public Welfare which is responsible for the formal audit and review of MA services, including EPSDT.





# SCREENING COMPONENTS/STANDARDS

## CHAPTER TWO

The following sections explain the EPSDT screening in more detail:

- A. Nurse-Supervised Clinic Screening Standards
- B. Physician Screening Standards
- C. Request for Variation in Screening Procedures
- D. Training and Materials Available
- E. Steps in the Screening Process
- F. EPSDT and Well Child Care
- G. Reimbursement

The nurse and physician screening standards are considered the *minimum* elements of a comprehensive screening. Other procedures may be included depending on the child's age and health history.

### A. NURSE SCREENING STANDARDS

All nurse-supervised Early and Periodic Screening (EPS) and EPSDT clinics follow the standards and periodicity schedule devised by the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH). Screening performed by MDH approved nurse-supervised clinics will be reimbursed by the EPSDT program.

The EPS manual may be obtained from the Minnesota Department of Health if you would like further information on these standards. Please write to:

Supervisor  
Comprehensive Child Health Screening Unit  
Section of Maternal and Child Health  
Minnesota Department of Health  
717 S.E. Delaware Street  
Minneapolis, MN 55440

### B. PHYSICIAN SCREENING STANDARDS

A comprehensive screening involves the following components:

1. Physical Assessment
2. Developmental Assessment
3. Immunizations
4. Laboratory Tests (as needed)

By signing an EPSDT Provider Agreement you have agreed to complete the EPSDT screening according to certain standards. These standards were first

developed by a physician committee composed of representatives from the following organizations:

Group Health Association  
Hennepin County Medical Society  
Minneapolis Health Department  
Minnesota Academy of Family Practice  
Minnesota Academy of Pediatrics  
Minnesota State Medical Association  
Ramsey County Medical Society  
Ramsey County Nursing Service  
University of Minnesota School of Public Health

The standards developed by this committee were sent to all Title XIX primary health care providers in the state for comment in April, 1977. Incorporating the comments received, physician screening standards were then promulgated by the Administrative Rule process. After public hearing was held in January, 1978, the EPSDT Rule became final in June, 1978. The entire rule is contained in Appendix E.

The pages that follow describe the screening components contained in DPW Rule 61.

### B-1. PHYSICAL ASSESSMENT

#### Health History

A health and developmental history must be obtained from the parent or other responsible adult who is familiar with the child's health history. This may be done at the time of the screening, or prior to the screening by visiting the home or by sending a form to the child's home.

Because the health history may be helpful in assessing the need for laboratory tests and the need for referral for further diagnosis and treatment, the following items should be part of the history-taking process:

- a. Lead Exposure (see B-4 for further explanation)
- b. Tuberculin Exposure
- c. Nutrition/Dietary Intake (see B-2)
- d. Seizure History

Sample health history forms are available. Section D, page 14.

## Assessment of Physical Growth

Using standard growth charts, record the child's height and weight and compare his/her measurements with the ranges considered normal for children that age.

In the younger child, occipital-frontal head-circumference measurements should be included.

## Unclothed Physical Inspection

This portion of the screening should reflect normal procedures, including all areas indicated on the Child Screening Form, DPW-1973.

*If there is evidence that the child has been physically abused, report this information directly to the local welfare agency according to state law requirements. This information should also be noted on the Child Screening Form in the "Comments Section."*

## Vision Testing

For children *under the age of three years* your test must include:

- a) a history check for maternal and/or neonatal infection.
- b) observation for
  - pupils and light following reflex
  - presence or absence of nystagmus
  - muscle balance, including examination for esotropia, exotropia, large phorias
  - external examination of the eyes including lids, conjunctiva and cornea
  - parental concern regarding the child's vision.

For children *over the age of 3 years*, the test must include all of the above as well as a visual acuity check. This may be accomplished by the use of the STYCAR, the Snellen E Cube, the Snellen E Chart, the Snellen Alphabet Chart, or their equivalent, as appropriate to the child's age.

If you would like more detail on testing procedures, or need materials to conduct these tests, you should contact:

Minnesota Department of Health  
Hearing and Vision Screening  
717 Delaware Street Southeast  
Minneapolis, MN 55440

## Hearing Screening

To assess hearing, *all children* must be observed for:

- retardation of language acquisition (or history of such retardation)
- Failure to directionalize to sounds
- History of repeated otitis media during early life
- Parental concern regarding the child's hearing.

In addition, *children over the age of three years* must receive a *pure tone test* or *referral for pure tone audiometric testing*, if the above observations indicate a need for such testing.

Audiometers may be purchased from several sources. For information, contact:

Minnesota Department of Health  
Hearing and Vision Screening  
717 Delaware Street Southeast  
Minneapolis, MN 55400

## B-2. DEVELOPMENTAL ASSESSMENT

### Developmental Assessment

The goal of developmental assessment is to uncover a potential problem area before it seriously harms a child's development; it is not an effort to label any child as deficient. Screening only sorts out those children who need further diagnosis and treatment from those who apparently do not.

Several things should be stressed to the parent. First, that this component is *not* an intelligence test. Second, a referral does not mean the child is retarded. Third, as stated above, the assessment is only one step in the process of correcting a potential problem area.

*For children ages birth through five years*, the developmental screening must be accomplished through use of the Denver Prescreening Developmental Questionnaire (PDQ). Any child who fails the PDQ must be given the Denver Developmental Screening Test (DDST) for further screening. If you do not provide the DDST, you must refer the patient to an agency that does provide it to complete this screening component.

*For children ages 6-20 years*, there are no screening tools available such as the DDST. You must, however, screen for fine/gross motor control, speech and socialization. Developmental questions should be included on the health history for this age group.

Estimates of developmental maturity may be based on observation and direct testing of the child, parental report of the child's present behavior, parental history of the child's development, and parental concerns over development.

### Nutritional Status

Physical and laboratory determinations as well as the nutrition intake information obtained in the health history will usually yield information useful in assessing nutritional status.

When a history reveals that a child's diet lacks two or more daily servings from one of the four basic food groups, the parent/child must be referred for nutritional counseling even if there are no objective signs of poor nutrition. Nutritional counseling for these patients, as well as those with detectable nutritional deficiencies, must be available from your own clinic, or through referral to a nutritionist, dietician, public health nurse, or agricultural extension service.

### Sexual Development

All children must be checked for appropriate sexual development. Special emphasis should be given to children who have reached puberty.

At the request of the parent/child counseling on normal development, birth control, and venereal disease, as well as appropriate prescriptions and testing, must be provided. A referral to appropriate resources should be made if you cannot or choose not to provide this service through your office.

All females who have reached puberty must be given the option of receiving a pelvic examination with appropriate testing (Gc, Pap Smear, and other tests at your discretion).

### B-3. IMMUNIZATIONS

Assess immunization status from the health history according to the Recommended Schedule of Immunizations. This schedule, developed by the Minnesota Department of Health and approved by the Minnesota State Medical Association is contained on the following page. Needed immunizations must be offered and administered according to this schedule.

If possible, needed immunizations should be provided during the screening.

### B-4. LABORATORY PROCEDURES

The following laboratory procedures must be provided:

#### a. Tuberculin Testing

Tuberculin testing must be performed for all children once at fifteen months of age, or at their first screening, whichever is later. Additional tuberculin testing at later ages may be given if the child's history indicates the possibility of exposure.

Note: EPSDT recognizes the differences of opinion regarding the necessity for tuberculin testing. If you do not view this test as necessary, please request a variation from the screening standards. (See Page 14).

#### b. Undue Lead Absorption

Excessive lead exposure has serious and largely irreversible effects on the central nervous system (CNS). These effects vary from severe brain damage to altered neuropsychologic behavior of considerable consequence which may be recognized by parents, teachers, and clinicians at attentional disorders, learning disabilities, or emotional disturbances which impair progress in school. Undue lead absorption also affects the bone marrow, impairing the formation of blood cells. Kidney damage can also occur. Minor symptomology (e.g., malaise, anorexia, irritability) may often be attributed to some other cause or there may even be no overt symptoms. Only a laboratory analysis will determine whether a child has undue lead absorption.

Undue lead absorption has long been associated with urban, low-income areas. However, large scale screening studies of children without symptoms have demonstrated in recent years that the number with undue lead absorption is greater than previously thought. Because the possible consequences of undue lead absorption are so severe and because detection and treatment are possible, screening providers are urged to consider the possibility of undue lead absorption in all children screened.

Current evidence does not justify the need to screen every child for undue lead absorption through Erythrocyte Protoporphyrin (EP) or Blood Lead determination. The following three step progression should be used to perform undue lead absorption screening:

##### 1) Health History Questions

The Minnesota Department of Health recommends pre-screening for potential environmental hazards via a set of simple questions as a part of your individual

health history on a child. The questions most highly weighted are:

- Does the child chew any unusual things such as woodwork, pencils, crib, paint chips, plaster?
- Does the child live in a house built before 1950 that has peeling paint on the walls, woodwork, ceiling, doors or exterior of the house?
- Does the child seem tired, fussy or cranky for more than 4-6 hours everyday?

Additionally significant may be:

- Does the child live adjacent to a major freeway?
- Does any family member work in a lead processing plant?
- Does the child play on grounds where old buildings have been demolished and filled?

A "yes" response to any of the above, indicates the need to screen for undue lead absorption. A positive history of vomiting and a low hematocrit or hemoglobin would also be determinants for a lead screening.

##### 2) Free Erythrocyte Protoporphyrin (FEP) Test

If the health history indicates a need for further screening, an FEP test may be performed.

FEP is a simple laboratory procedure which utilizes the same blood source as the hemoglobin/hematocrit specimen. Complete procedures for FEP testing is contained in the "FEP/Blood Lead Instruction/Procedure Card" (DPW-2384). Samples of this card and the FEP Testing Lab Slip (DPW-2383) are contained on pages 12 and 13. Additional cards and lab slips may be ordered from DPW via the Requisition Form (see Appendix A).

FEP tests are processed *free-of-charge* to EPSDT physician providers through a contractual agreement with Children's Health Center of Minneapolis. Physicians may include a charge for administering the test on the Laboratory Section of the Child Screening Form, DPW-1973.

##### 3) Blood Lead Determinations

If the FEP is elevated, a blood lead determination should be made. Complete procedures for blood lead determinations is found on the sample DPW-2384. Blood lead kits and processing are provided *free-of-charge* by the MDH Laboratory.

Results of FEP and/or Blood Lead must be reported in line 46 of the EPS/EPST Child Screening Form (DPW-1973). Physicians may include a charge for administering the test on the Laboratory Section of the Child Screening Form, DPW-1973.

If elevated blood lead is discovered, an immediate investigation into the source

## FREE ERYTHROCYTE PROTOPORPHYRIN SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND TRANSPORT

1. Specimen may be collected by finger or heel puncture.
2. Collect blood into capillary tubes used to spin hematocrits.
3. Plug both ends with sealing clay.
4. Tape tubes securely onto a piece of rigid cardboard. If you have corrugated cardboard available, tubes can be placed between the corrugations.
5. Place cardboard and completed EP Lab Slip into envelope addressed to:

Chemistry Laboratory  
Children's Health Center  
2525 Chicago Ave. So.  
Minneapolis, MN 55404

6. Be sure to write HAND CANCEL on outside of envelope.
  7. Results will be mailed to you. Elevated results will be telephoned to you.
- .....

## BLOOD LEAD DETERMINATION PROCEDURES

1. If the FEP level is elevated (greater than 50 ug/dl), a blood lead determination should be made.
2. The Minnesota Department of Health Laboratory will provide blood lead kits and processing at no charge. Kits may be obtained by contacting:

PSS Nursing Consultant  
Maternal and Child Health Section  
Minnesota Department of Health  
717 Delaware St., S.E.  
Minneapolis, MN 55440  
612/296-5220

3. Instructions for obtaining and transporting the sample will be sent with the kit.
4. If the results are elevated, MDH Laboratory staff will telephone the results to your office. Results within normal limits will be mailed.

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Send all copies with specimen to:

Chemistry Laboratory  
Children's Health Center  
2525 Chicago Ave. So.  
Minneapolis, MN 55404

## FEP TESTING

White — Physician  
Yellow — DPW-EPSDT  
Pink — Children's Lab  
Green — Children's EDP

*TO BE COMPLETED BY MD OFFICE — ALL BLANKS MUST BE FILLED IN.*

Child's name	Physician		
Address	Address		
M.A. ID #	M.A. Provider #	Hemotocrit	
Birthdate	Date Drawn	Date Sent	

*TO BE COMPLETED BY LABORATORY*

(0017-4) FEP (FREE ERYTHROCYTE PROTOPORPHYRIN) = \_\_\_\_\_ UG/ml whole blood

Normal  $\leq$  50 UG/ml whole blood

Laboratory:

Date received \_\_\_\_\_ Date repit \_\_\_\_\_ Tech. \_\_\_\_\_

DPW-2383 (5-79)  
PZ-02383-01

should be initiated through *referral to the local or county health department for an environmental assessment.*

#### c. Urine Screening

All children over the age of two years must be tested at their first screening for the presence of glucose, ketones, protein and other abnormalities in their urine.

Females at or near the ages of four and ten must be tested for bacteriuria.

#### d. Anemia Testing

All children must be tested for anemia using either a micro-hematocrit determination or a hemoglobin concentration. These tests should be done near the ages of six months, one year, two years, four years, and fifteen years.

#### e. Sickle Cell Testing

Screening for the sickle cell gene can help to accomplish two objectives:

- 1) to provide medical care for patients with sickle cell *anemia*. Screening of newborns for the disease may therefore provide early diagnosis.
- and
- 2) to prevent the disease through genetic counseling for those persons with sickle cell *trait*. Testing persons older than 13 or 14 years who possess reproductive potential is therefore relevant for the population known to be at risk.

If sickle cell testing is indicated, only one test is needed. If the sickle cell trait is found, the patient must be referred for genetic counseling if they so desire.

#### f. Other laboratory testing

Tests for cervical cancer, venereal disease, pregnancy and parasites should be performed when indicated.

Results for any test(s) not printed on the Child Screening Form (DPW-1973) should be recorded in the "Comments Section" of the form.

Note: Any test performed as part of the screening may be charged on the Child Screening Form. It is not necessary to complete a Practitioner Invoice to obtain reimbursement for these procedures.

### D. Training and Materials Available

#### D.1. Training

Training or consultation on any of the screening components may be arranged at your request. All such training and consultation is provided by the Minnesota Department of Health through a contract with the Minnesota Department of Public Welfare.

If you are interested in this service, please contact:

EPSDT Section  
Bureau of Income Maintenance  
Department of Public Welfare  
4th Floor - Centennial Office Building  
658 Cedar Street  
St. Paul, MN 55155  
Telephone: 612/296-3883 (call collect)

#### D.2. Materials Available

Many helpful forms and charts related to screening services are available by order from the Minnesota Department of Health. Any of the following items may be ordered directly from the Minnesota Department of Health by using "Requisition for EPS/EPSTD/PSS Forms, (517-29). (See Appendix B, page 43.)

Nutrition Assessment Summary  
Food Intake Record  
Growth and Head Circumference Charts  
Boys (2-18 years)  
Infant Boys (0-36 months)  
Girls (2-18 years)  
Infant Girls (0-36) months  
Individual Health History Forms  
0-6 years  
7-13 years  
14-21 years

Denver Developmental Screening Manual  
Denver Developmental Screening Kit  
Denver Developmental Screening Test (DDST) Sheets  
Prescreening Developmental Questionnaires (PDQ)

### E. THE STEPS IN THE EPSDT SCREENING PROCESS

From the Perspective of a Child:

1. The parent is informed of the availability and importance of EPSDT services at the time of application for Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) or Medical Assistance.
2. If the parent accepts EPSDT services for his/her child, the local welfare agency gives a Referral for Screening Form (DPW-1997) and a list of screening providers in the area to the parent. An example of DPW-1997 is on page 16.
3. The parent makes an appointment for screening for the child with one of the screening providers listed.
4. The parent brings the child to be screened, along with the Referral for Screening Form and a current Medical Assistance identification card.
5. The child is screened according to the guidelines explained in Chapter Two, pages 10-14.
6. After the child is screened, the results are discussed with the parent and child, and the blue copy of the screening invoice (DPW-1973) is given to the parent for his/her information.
7. If the child needs further diagnosis and treatment, the screener gives the parent an EPSDT Referral for Diagnosis and Treatment Form (DPW-1998) and the violet copy of the screening invoice which the parent will take to the provider of diagnosis and treatment. An example of DPW-1998 is on page 17.
8. The parent takes the child to the recommended provider of diagnosis and treatment and the child receives the needed care.
9. The provider of diagnosis and treatment bills Medical Assistance for the service rendered to the child.
10. The local welfare agency provides follow-up throughout the process in order to assure that every child who requests EPSDT receives the

screening and any needed diagnosis and treatment. The information needed to perform the follow-up is supplied by the Department of Public Welfare based on the screening invoices received.

**From the Perspective of the Screening Provider:**

1. When a child arrives for an EPSDT screening appointment, ask to see the current Medical Assistance Identification card and the Referral for Screening Form (DPW-1997).

*Note: The DPW-1997 does not verify eligibility for MA. You must see a current MA ID card or contact the county welfare agency for this information.*

2. Screen the child according to the procedures outlined in Chapter Two, pages 10-14.
3. Record the screening findings on the Child Screening Form (DPW-1973).
4. Talk to the parent about the screening, explaining in detail the findings and any recommendations for diagnosis and treatment.  
*Note: Give the parent the blue copy of the invoice for his/her information.*
5. If the child needs further diagnosis and/or treatment, complete a Referral for Diagnosis and Treatment Form (DPW-1998) for each health care provider to whom the child is being referred. Give the parent the referral form and the violet copy of the invoice to bring to the provider of diagnosis and treatment.
6. Complete the Child Screening Form (DPW-1973) and type in the charges. Submit the invoice to the Medical Assistance Program for payment and/or information purposes.
7. If you (the screener) provide diagnosis and treatment as a result of the screening, submit the charges for the diagnosis and treatment procedures on the provider's regular Medical Assistance invoice.

**F. EPSDT SCREENINGS AND WELL CHILD CARE**

It is the intent of the EPSDT program to help children receive preventive health care. You, as a health care provider, can assist in reducing duplication of services by coordinating your ongoing well child care with EPSDT. *The following types of health care services should be coordinated with EPSDT wherever possible:*

- newborn, or well-baby check-ups
- back-to-school physicals
- camp or athletic physicals
- day care or Head Start physicals
- routine well-child physical exams

Essentially, any time you see an EPSDT-eligible child (i.e., the child has a valid MA ID card and is between birth and age 21) for preventive health care, you should follow the EPSDT screening standards and report and bill the screening on the EPS/EPSTDT Child Screening Form (DPW-1973). In doing so, you will help

prevent another, less timely and possibly duplicative well child visit by fulfilling both needs at one time.

**Newborn/Well Baby Care**

To coordinate newborn care with EPSDT, you should:

- 1) compare your well-baby exam with the EPSDT components applicable for newborns and infants.
- 2) If identical or similar, add the additional EPSDT components to the well-baby check of an MA-eligible child.
- 3) explain to the parent that you will be providing an EPSDT screening at appropriate times, so long as the child remains eligible for Medical Assistance.
- 4) report the findings and bill, using the EPS/EPSTDT Child Screening Form (DPW-1973) rather than the Practitioner Invoice.

**School, Camp, Athletic, and Day Care Physicals**

If the parent/child requests a physical and you know they are eligible for EPSDT, you should:

- 1) Perform all EPSDT components, including a physical exam.
- 2) Report the findings to EPSDT and bill MA using the EPS/EPSTDT Child Screening Form (DPW-1973) rather than the Practitioner Invoice (in addition to completing the physical form provided by the camp, school, etc.)

**Requests for EPSDT Screenings**

**a) After a Well Child Exam has been performed:**

If a parent/child calls for an appointment for an EPSDT screening and you have recently seen the patient for well-child care, you should:

- 1) volunteer to report the findings of the completed exam on the EPS/EPSTDT Child Screening Form (DPW-1973).
- 2) perform any screening components omitted during the physical and report these on the DPW-1973 as well.
- 3) bill for the screening using the DPW-1973 if you have not previously billed MA for these services on the Practitioner Invoice.

or

- 4) submit the DPW-1973 for information only (mark box 61) if you have already billed MA for this service.

**b) Before a Well Child Exam is scheduled**

If a parent calls for an appointment for an EPSDT screening and you know you will be seeing the patient for routine well child care (e.g., well baby check-ups), you should:

- 1) tell the parent you will coordinate the EPSDT screening and the well child check-up at the next scheduled exam time.
- 2) report the findings and bill the next scheduled exam on the DPW-1973.



# EPSDT REFERRAL / SCREENING

TO: PROVIDER OF EPSDT SCREENING

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, M.A. # \_\_\_\_\_  
is eligible for screening services under the Title XIX Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment Program. Under EPSDT, a comprehensive screening consists of:

- Health History
- Developmental Assessment
- Unclothed Physical Assessment
- Sexual Development
- Dental Assessment
- Hearing Test
- Vision Test
- Hematocrit/Hemoglobin, Urinalysis and other laboratory tests as indicated
- Immunizations
- Nutritional Assessment

Medical Assistance will pay the entire cost of this screening if the recipient has a current Medical Assistance Identification Card and you/your clinic has signed an EPSDT Provider Agreement. Be sure to verify the above MA # by checking the client's current MA ID card.

If you have not signed an EPSDT Provider Agreement, please call the phone number shown below. We will be happy to assist you in enrolling as an EPSDT screening provider. If you request it, we will arrange for training and consultation on any of the screening components shown above. We will also assist you in the billing and reporting requirements of the EPSDT program. Only enrolled EPSDT providers will be reimbursed for EPSDT screenings.

Submit bills for this service to the Minnesota Medical Assistance Program on the EPSDT Invoice, DPW-1973. If you do not have the correct forms or instruction manual for completing the forms, please call the number below and ask to have them mailed to you. These invoices can also be ordered from Centennial Stores on DPW-121, Requisition for DPW Forms, in the same manner as other Medical Assistance forms.

Thank you for your cooperation. Any questions about EPSDT should be addressed to:

EPSDT Program  
Bureau of Income Maintenance  
Department of Public Welfare  
Centennial Office Building, Fourth Floor  
St. Paul, MN 55155  
Telephone: 612/296-3883

Issued by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Local Welfare/Social Service Agency

BY \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

PZ-01997-03  
DPW-1997  
(1-79)

# EPSDT REFERRAL

Dear Parent:

Attached is your copy of the results of your child's screening under the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Program. Your child should see a health care professional for diagnosis and treatment of a suspected health or developmental problem uncovered during the EPSDT screening. Your local welfare agency will assist you in obtaining these services by:

- Supplying the names and addresses of health care providers in your community if you need them.
- Arranging transportation or other services you need to keep appointments for diagnosis and treatment.
- Telling you which services can be paid by the Medical Assistance Program and which need prior authorization from the state.

Please contact your local welfare/social services agency if you would like this help.

Remember, the most important part of the EPSDT Program is following up on the screening findings and getting your child the health care he or she needs.

## **G. Reimbursement**

EPSDT screening providers may request reimbursement for outreach that they routinely perform for children screened in their own facility. Examples of outreach activities include:

- 1) phone calls or postcards to remind clients of their appointment for EPSDT
- 2) re-scheduling of missed appointments
- 3) assistance in arranging needed diagnosis and treatment resulting from screening
- 4) periodic re-notification to clients that a child is due for another EPSDT screening.

Outreach and follow-up agreements are negotiated between DPW and the screening provider. Reimbursement is based on a cost per child basis and is available only if a screening is actually completed. The fee negotiated between DPW and the provider is billed in the "Outreach" space of the EPS/EPSDT Child Screening Form, box 65 (DPW-1973) by the screening provider.

This type of agreement will benefit those screening providers who screen a relatively large number of Title XIX children or who are a major source of EPSDT screening in a county.

**Note:** EPS clinics have an outreach charge incorporated in their unit fee.

Requests for outreach reimbursement must be in writing and include:

- Name of provider
- Name of contact person in the provider's office
- A description of the outreach activities to be performed
- A description of how information will be documented
- The fee which will be charged for these services, based on actual costs

The request for reimbursement must be sent to:

EPSDT Supervisor  
Minnesota Department of Public Welfare  
4th Floor - Centennial Office Building  
658 Cedar Street  
St. Paul, MN 55155

A response to the request will be made in writing, showing the effective date that the outreach charge will be accepted on the DPW-1973.

# COMPLETION OF THE EPS/EPSDT CHILD SCREENING FORM

## CHAPTER THREE

### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

EPS/EPSDT Child Screening Form (DPW-1973) is designed to serve as both an invoice for payment and a report of screening findings. The sections for recording screening findings must be filled out *in pencil* by the screener. The sections for provider and recipient information, charges, and referrals must be *typed*. Invoices which are completely handwritten or folded will be accepted, but the manual keying required will delay payment considerably. Manual keying has a low priority.

Invoices are processed for payment every two weeks. The Department of Finance mails the warrants (checks) under separate cover. The payment subsystem produces a Remittance Advice that explains which invoices have been paid, which are rejected, and indicates, by codes, the reason for rejection. On alternate pay runs, the Remittance Advice will also list those invoices which are suspended in the system for further processing. These suspended invoices will be paid or rejected at a future date.

### A. SUBMISSION DATE

*Invoices should be submitted as soon as possible after the screening:* After your invoice is run through DPW's payment system, the invoice is sent to the county welfare agency. The county uses the invoice to document in their records that a screening has taken place and to follow-up on any diagnosis and treatment that may be indicated. Since Federal regulations mandate that children receive needed diagnosis and treatment services within 120 to 180 days of the date they accept screening, county welfare agencies also use the returned invoice (or lack of a returned invoice) to determine what type of follow-up efforts should be made to assist the recipient in obtaining the screening they have indicated they desire. Because of this process, it is *very important* that your invoices are submitted for payment as soon as possible.

### B. INVOICE COMPLETION

This form is designed to be processed mechanically. High-speed optical character reading equipment will transmit the information directly from a well-prepared invoice to a computer tape for processing. To insure prompt payment of claims, follow these procedures when preparing invoices:

Do **not** write on the back of an invoice. If explanatory information will not fit into the "Comments Section", attach the information to the invoice with a paper clip. (**Do Not Staple.**)

Do **not** fold, or otherwise mutilate the invoices.

Before mailing the completed invoice, separate the original from the copies.

Mail the original (top) to:

Minnesota Medical Assistance Program  
Department of Public Welfare  
Box 43200  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55164

The second copy (green) is the screener's file copy.

The third copy (blue) is given to the parent or child.

The fourth copy (purple) should be given to the parent or child who will give it to the provider of any needed diagnosis and treatment. Copies should be made if a child is referred to more than one provider.

The Provider Information, Recipient Information, and Charges sections, and any entries in the referral boxes should be typed. The typist should follow these procedures:

- CAPITALIZE all letters of the alphabet.
- Type only in the white areas. **DO NOT** type in the brown shaded areas.
- Keep type faces clean to ensure readable print.
- Use **black ribbon** only and change ribbons as needed to ensure bold and dark characters.
- Strive for accuracy. When correcting errors, use correction fluid or correction tape sparingly. Careful erasing is also acceptable if no trace of the first entry remains.
- All dates entered on the invoice are to be entered in the following format: the two-digit month, followed by the two-digit day, followed by the two-digit year.
- All monetary amounts must be entered in the dollars and cents format (12.56), omitting the dollar (\$) sign.
- Punctuation marks, commas, apostrophes and periods must **not** be used. Simply leave a space when necessary.

SEND FORM TO: Minnesota Medical Assistance Program -- DPW -- P.O. Box 43200, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164

EPSDT/EPS

# CHILD SCREENING FORM

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ELITE PICA  
☐ ☐

TYPEWRITER ALIGNMENT  
USE CAPITAL LETTERS ONLY

ELITE PICA  
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PROVIDER'S NAME		PROVIDER ID #	OWN REFERENCE #	BILLING DATE	SCREENING IS	
2		3	4	5	INITIAL PERIODIC	
CITY/STATE/ZIP		SCREENING DATE			10 11	
6		9			14 15	
CHILD'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, INITIAL)		MEDICAL ASSISTANCE NUMBER		SEX	BIRTHDATE	
12		13		14	15	

ABNORMAL	REFERRAL CODE	ABNORMAL	REFERRAL CODE	ABNORMAL	REFERRAL CODE	ABNORMAL	REFERRAL CODE	ABNORMAL	REFERRAL CODE
WEIGHT <input type="checkbox"/>	16	HEAD <input type="checkbox"/>	21	NECK <input type="checkbox"/>	27	SKIN <input type="checkbox"/>	33	NUTRITION <input type="checkbox"/>	38
HEIGHT <input type="checkbox"/>	17	EYES <input type="checkbox"/>	22	CHEST/LUNGS <input type="checkbox"/>	28	VISION <input type="checkbox"/>	34	FINE MOTOR <input type="checkbox"/>	39
HEAD CIRCUMFERENCE <input type="checkbox"/>	18	EARS <input type="checkbox"/>	23	HEART <input type="checkbox"/>	29	HEARING <input type="checkbox"/>	35	GROSS MOTOR <input type="checkbox"/>	40
PULSE <input type="checkbox"/>	19	NOSE <input type="checkbox"/>	24	ABDOMEN <input type="checkbox"/>	30	AUDIO-METER USED <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	SPEECH/LANGUAGE <input type="checkbox"/>	41
BLOOD PRESSURE <input type="checkbox"/>	20	PHARYNX <input type="checkbox"/>	25	GENITALS/SEXUAL DEVELOPMENT <input type="checkbox"/>	31	SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL <input type="checkbox"/>			42
IF PHYSICAL NOT DONE (ITEMS 21 THROUGH 33), MARK BOX <input type="checkbox"/>		NEUROLOGICAL <input type="checkbox"/>	26	MUSCULAR/SKELETAL <input type="checkbox"/>	32				

NORMAL	ABNORMAL	REFERRAL CODE	NORMAL	ABNORMAL	REFERRAL CODE	NORMAL	ABNORMAL	REFERRAL CODE	NORMAL	ABNORMAL	REFERRAL CODE
URINE <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	44	BLOOD LEAD <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	46	PELVIC/PAP SMEAR <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	48	SICKLE CELL <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	50
HEMOGLOBIN/HEMATOCRIT <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	45	TB <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	47	VENEREAL DISEASE <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	49	OTHER <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	51

DTP/Td	MMR	OR	MEASLES (RUBEOLA)	MUMPS	RUBELLA (GERMAN)
CURRENT <input type="checkbox"/>	CURRENT <input type="checkbox"/>	CURRENT <input type="checkbox"/>	CURRENT <input type="checkbox"/>	CURRENT <input type="checkbox"/>	CURRENT <input type="checkbox"/>
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POLIO <input type="checkbox"/>			OTHER <input type="checkbox"/>	REFERRED TO <input type="checkbox"/>	52

ACTUAL READINGS - OPTIONAL					
WEIGHT <input type="checkbox"/>	HEIGHT <input type="checkbox"/>	HEAD CIRCUMFERENCE <input type="checkbox"/>	PULSE <input type="checkbox"/>	BLOOD PRESSURE <input type="checkbox"/>	HEMOGLOBIN/HEMATOCRIT <input type="checkbox"/>
53	54	55	56	57	58

ENTER NUMBER OF MONTHS SINCE LAST HEALTH MAINTENANCE EXAM		59	REFERRAL CODE 60
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MARK WITH A STRAIGHT HORIZONTAL LINE

## CHARGE INFORMATION

PHYSICAL	62
LAB TESTS	63
IF NOT FOR PAYMENT	
IMMUNIZATIONS	64
ENTER 'X'	
OUTREACH	65
TOTAL	66

## PROVIDER CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that all information given on this form is true, accurate and complete and all medical services indicated have been rendered. I understand that payment and satisfaction of this claim will be from Federal, State and Local funds, and that any false claims, statements or documents or concealment of a material fact may be prosecuted under applicable Federal or State laws. I certify that all applicable screening standards have been followed.

X \_\_\_\_\_  
67 Authorized Signature

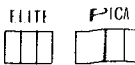
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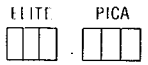
## CHILD SCREENING FORM

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USE CAPITAL LETTERS ONLY



2 PROVIDER'S NAME	3 PROVIDER ID #	4 OWN REFERENCE #	5 BILLING DATE	SCREENING IS
6 CITY/STATE/ZIP			9 SCREENING DATE	INITIAL PERIODIC
12 CHILD'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, INITIAL)	13 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE NUMBER		14 SEX	15 BIRTHDATE

Complete the invoice according to the following step by step directions:

**SEND FORM TO:**

Minnesota Medical Assistance Program  
DPW -- P.O. Box 43200  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55164

series of asterisks in place of the recipient's name. For this reason, it may be useful to use the recipient's name as your "Own Reference Number." Then, the name will *always* appear on the Remittance Advice.

**B.1. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION 1-15**

**CLAIM CONTROL NUMBER**

- Box 1. **Claims Processing Document Control Number**  
Leave this space **BLANK**  
The department assigns a number to each invoice before it is processed. This number prints out on your Remittance Advice and is the identifying number to use when making *any* inquiries about this claim.

**PROVIDER INFORMATION**

- Box 2. **Provider's Name**  
Enter the name of the screening clinic or other screening provider.

Example: **MIDWEST SCREENING CLINIC**

Note: This field may be left blank, if the clinic or provider name is stamped on the bottom of the invoice.

- Box 3. **Provider ID#**  
Enter the 7 digit provider identification number assigned by the Department of Public Welfare.

Example: 1612345

- Box 4. **Own Reference Number**  
Up to nine letters or numbers of the provider's choice may be entered in this space. Anything typed in this space will appear on the Remittance Advice.

Example: JACKSONBA or 123456789

NOTE: The recipient's name on the Remittance Advice is printed out from the Medical Assistance identification number. If this number is incorrectly submitted, the claim will be rejected and the Remittance Advice will have a

- Box 5. **Billing Date**  
Enter the date the invoice is completed using two digits for the month, two digits for the day, and two digits for the year.

Example: 03 01 80

- Box 6. **City/State/Zip Code**  
Enter the city, state and zip code of the provider.

Example: ANYTOWN MN 55123

- Box 9. **Screening Date**  
Enter the date the child was screened using two digits for the month, two digits for the day, and two digits for the year.

Example: 02 20 80

- Box 10-11. **Screening is Initial, Periodic**  
Enter an "X" in box 10, *Initial* if this is the first time the child has been screened to your knowledge.

Enter an "X" in box 11, *Periodic* if this is a periodic re-screening.

- Box 12. **Child's Name**  
Enter the child's full name exactly as it appears on the Medical Assistance identification card: last name, then first name, followed by middle initial, if available.

Example: JACKSON BARBARA J.

- Box 13. **Recipient's Medical Assistance I.D. Number**  
Enter the 16 digit number as shown on the Medical Assistance identification card. **DO NOT** type in the dashes. Leave a **SPACE** where dashes occur on the card. Note: Each person in a family has a distinct number.

Example: 00 0 000 000 0000 000

- Box 14. **Sex**  
Enter the child's sex: F = female, M = male.

Example: F M

Box 15.

### Birthdate

Enter the child's birthdate exactly as it appears on the Medical Assistance

identification card, using 2 digits for the month, 2 digits for the day, and 2 digits for the year.

Example: 08 16 70

PHYSICAL RESULTS		PHYSICAL RESULTS		PHYSICAL RESULTS		PHYSICAL RESULTS		PHYSICAL RESULTS	
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TEST USED ☐ PDQ ☐ DDST ☐ OTHER ☐

## B.2. PHYSICAL RESULTS 16-33

If there are no abnormalities found in the screening, simply note "No Apparent Abnormalities" (NAA) in the "Comments Section" of the form. There will be no other entries in items 16-33.

If an abnormality is detected during screening, the following instructions apply:

Mark components as "abnormal" by drawing one straight heavy line horizontally through the appropriate square with a # 2 soft lead pencil. Use the guide dots indicated on the form.

Example:

Abnormal

Referral Code

Skin



33

Enter code from the list on page 00 in the appropriate "referral code" box if a referral is recommended for additional evaluation, diagnosis or treatment at this time. These codes indicate the type of health care provider or facility suggested. *Referral Codes must be typed.*

*Note: Be sure to include yourself as a referral code if you will be treating the child for a problem found.*

In addition to the referral code, the referral code box must be designated either "X" for existing problem or "N" for new problem.

"X" (existing) means the problem was known to the provider and/or family prior to the screening. It should be entered if the child is already being or has been treated for the problem requiring referral.

"N" (new) means the problem was not known to the provider and/or family prior to the screening.

Example for existing problem:

Abnormal

Referral Code

Skin



20X

Example for new problem:

Abnormal

Referral Code

Skin



20N

**Note:** If the abnormality does not require further diagnosis and treatment at this time, leave the referral code box BLANK.

**Note:** If a physical is not performed during the screening, mark the box at the bottom of the left hand column reading "If Physical Not Done (Items 21 through 33) Mark Box." The mark must be a horizontal line drawn through the guide dots with a # 2 soft lead pencil.

**Note:** Do not record actual readings for weight, height, pulse and blood pressure items 16-20 in the referral code boxes. Actual readings, if recorded, are entered in boxes 53-58 or in the "Comments Section".

MARK WITH A STRAIGHT HORIZONTAL LINE



## B.3. VISION AND HEARING RESULTS 34-35

Record any abnormalities and referrals as explained in the Physical Results section.

In addition, if an audiometer was used to test hearing, mark the "Yes" box with a horizontal line drawn through the guide dots with a # 2 soft lead pencil.

## B.4. NUTRITION RESULTS 38

Follow the procedure stated in "Physical Results" section to complete these lines.

## B.5. DEVELOPMENTAL RESULTS 39-42

Lines 39-42: Follow the procedure stated in the "Physical Results" section to complete these lines.

**Test Used:** Indicate the developmental test used by

drawing a horizontal line through the guide dots shown on the form.

NORMAL		ABNORMAL		REFERRAL CODE	NORMAL		ABNORMAL		REFERRAL CODE	NORMAL		ABNORMAL		REFERRAL CODE	NORMAL		ABNORMAL		REFERRAL CODE
LAB TESTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	44	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	46	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	48	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	50	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	51	<input type="checkbox"/>
	URINE			BLOOD LEAD			PELVIC/PAP SMEAR			SICKLE CELL									
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	45	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	47	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	49	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>						
HGB/HCT/HEMATOCRIT			TG			VENEREAL DISEASE			OTHER										

#### B.6. LAB TEST RESULTS 44-51

Lines 44-50: Draw one straight heavy line with a # 2 lead pencil through the guide dots in the appropriate square to indicate laboratory results as normal or abnormal.

Leave spaces blank for those laboratory tests which were not done for this child.

Type in the appropriate referral code if a referral

results from an abnormal lab test. Be sure to use the "X" (existing) or "N" (new) code as explained in the "Physical Results" section.

Line 51: Other — If any lab test(s) are performed, other than the ones indicated, use this line to record the findings and appropriate referral. The lab test performed should be noted in the "Comments Section" of the form.

DTaP/6				MMR				OR				MEASLES (RUBEOLA)				MUMPS				RUBELLA (GERMAN)			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
OR		GIVEN		REFERRED		RECORD NOT AVAILABLE		CURRENT		GIVEN		REFERRED		RECORD NOT AVAILABLE		CURRENT		GIVEN		REFERRED		RECORD NOT AVAILABLE	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PULIO				OTHER				52															

#### B.7. IMMUNIZATION RESULTS 52

Findings must be recorded by marking the appropriate box:

##### Current:

Mark this box if, prior to the screening, the immunization was up-to-date according to the child's age and health history. No portion of the immunization series was administered during the screening and there was no referral for the immunization at a later time.

##### Given:

Mark this box if the child received any portion of the immunization during the screening.

##### Referred:

Mark this box if the immunization was not current prior to screening, no portion of the immunization was administered during the screening, and the child was

referred for this immunization at a later time (e.g., a referral could occur if the child was ill at the time of the screening and immunization was not advisable at that time).

##### Record Not Available or N/A:

Mark this box if you cannot obtain sufficient information to determine the immunization status.

Note: "Record not Available" and "Given" would both be marked if the child's immunization status was not known prior to the screening and, based on this lack of information, the immunization series was begun during the screening. This is the only time two boxes would be marked for the same immunization.

Box 52.

##### Referred to:

If the child requires a referral for any further immunization, enter the code here.

ACTUAL READINGS — OPTIONAL					
WEIGHT	HEIGHT	HEAD CIRCUMFERENCE	PULSE	BLOOD PRESSURE	HEMOGLOBIN/HEMATOCRIT
53 <input type="checkbox"/>	54 <input type="checkbox"/>	55 <input type="checkbox"/>	56 <input type="checkbox"/>	57 <input type="checkbox"/>	58 <input type="checkbox"/>
ENTER NUMBER OF MONTHS SINCE LAST HEALTH MAINTENANCE EXAM					59 <input type="checkbox"/>
					REFERRAL CODE 60 <input type="checkbox"/>

#### B.8. ACUTAL READINGS 53-58

Completion of this section is optional. If used, enter the actual readings for weight, height, pulse, blood pressure and hemoglobin/hematocrit.

Note: Do not record actual readings for these items on any other area of the form.

#### B.9. ENTER NUMBER OF MONTHS SINCE LAST HEALTH MAINTENANCE EXAM 59-60

Box 59 The parent/child must be asked the

number of months that have elapsed from the child's last health maintenance exam to the month of the screening.

For 0-3 years use the number of months.

Example: 2 ½ years = 30 months.

59 ☐ 30

For over 3 years, enter 99

Example: 3 ½ years

59 ☐ 99



**Box 60: Referral Code**

Physicians: Leave this box **BLANK**.  
 EPS and EPSDT Nurse Supervised  
 Clinics: Refer to instructions in the EPS  
 Manual.

(DPW-1497) or Outpatient Hospital  
 Invoice (DPW-1852).

Note: Even if Box 61 is marked, actual  
 charges must be entered in Box  
 62-66. These figures will be used to  
 calculate state expenditures for  
 screening.

CHARGE INFORMATION	
PHYSICAL 62	<input type="text"/>
LAB TESTS 63	<input type="text"/>
IMMUNIZATIONS 64	<input type="text"/>
OUTREACH 65	<input type="text"/>
TOTAL 66	<input type="text"/>

IF NOT FOR  
 PAYMENT  
 61 ☐ ENTER 'X'

Box 62: **Physical:** Enter the charge for the  
 Physical and Developmental portions of  
 the screening.

Box 63: **Lab Tests:** Enter the charges for all lab  
 tests performed as part of the screening.  
 This applies both to the tests specified on  
 the form as well as any other lab tests that  
 were deemed necessary to the screening.

Box 64: **Immunizations:** Enter charges for any  
 immunization given during the screening.

Box 65: **Outreach:** Charges for Outreach are  
 applicable only for those clinics or  
 providers who have outreach procedures  
 approved by the EPSDT section at DPW  
 (see page 00).

Box 66: **Total:** Enter the total of boxes 62-65.

**B.10 CHARGE INFORMATION 61-66**

Box 61: **If not for Payment, Enter "X"**

If this form is being submitted for  
*reporting purposes only* (not for billing  
 purposes), enter "X" in Box 61.

This section applies to Health  
 Maintenance Organizations (HMO's) and  
 to providers whose computerized  
 systems require that all charges be  
 submitted on the Practitioner Invoice

Example:

Physical	62	23.00
Lab Tests	63	5.00
Immunizations	64	3.00
Outreach	65	1.00
Total	66	32.00

COMMENTS SECTION — PLEASE EXPLAIN ALL BOXES MARKED ABNORMAL AND/OR OTHER

**PROVIDER CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that all information given on this  
 form is true, accurate and complete and all medical  
 services indicated have been rendered. I understand  
 that payment and satisfaction of this claim will be  
 from Federal, State and Local funds, and that any  
 false claims, statements or documents or conceal-  
 ment of a material fact may be prosecuted under  
 applicable Federal or State laws. I certify that all  
 applicable screening standards have been followed.

X \_\_\_\_\_  
 67 Authorized Signature

Top Copy (Brown) to DPW - 2nd (Green) Provider - 3rd (Blue) Parent/Child - 4th (Purple) Referral

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**B.11. COMMENTS SECTION**

All abnormalities should be explained in this section.  
 Since parent education is a major goal of the EPSDT  
 Program, this section should be used to explain to the  
 parent(s), in non-technical language, all problem areas  
 or recommendations.

If any laboratory screening tests not listed above were  
 provided, indicate the results here.

Insertion of the parent's name is recommended.

If additional sheets are used, attach them with a paper  
 clip. Do **NOT** write on the back of an invoice.

This area may also be used to record any information  
 you feel would be helpful to your record keeping  
 system but is not provided on the form itself.

**B.12. PROVIDER CERTIFICATION**

The invoice must be signed to be processed.  
 Signatures may be written, rubber-stamped, typed or  
 computer generated. Unsigned invoices will be  
 returned.

**C. CODES FOR REFERRALS**

Use these codes when completing the "Referral"  
 boxes on DPW-1973:

Code #	Type of Health Care Provider
01	Inpatient Hospital
02	Outpatient Hospital
10	Mental Health Center
11	Rehabilitation Center
12	Crippled Children's Service
14	Psychologist (Group Practice)
20	Physician or Osteopath
24	Health Maintenance Organization
30	Dentist
35	Optometrist
36	Podiatrist
37	Chiropractor
38	Nurse (Independent Practitioner)
39	Physical Therapist
40	Speech Therapist
41	Occupational Therapist

42 Psychologist  
43 Audiologist  
52 Public Health Nursing Service  
54 Family Planning Clinic  
60 County Nursing Service  
94 Schools  
95 Yourself (the screening provider)  
96 Other

**D. MAILING AND DISTRIBUTING THE INVOICE**

Mail the original invoice to the address printed at the top of the form:

MN Medical Assistance Program  
Department of Public Welfare  
Box 43200  
St. Paul, MN 55162

Do not fold the invoice for mailing.

Use the pre-addressed EPSDT Envelope (DPW-1865).  
These envelopes may be ordered from DPW by requisition. See Appendix A for this information.

1. The first part of the document  
describes the general situation  
of the company and its  
activities. It also mentions  
the main objectives of the  
project and the role of the  
participants.

2. The second part of the document  
describes the specific tasks  
assigned to each participant  
and the timeline for the  
project.



# THE REMITTANCE ADVICE

## CHAPTER FOUR

The current status of all claims and adjustments processed in the past two weeks is shown on the provider's Remittance Advice. The Remittance Advice explains in detail what claims have been paid, what charges if any have been reduced, what claims have been suspended for further processing, and what claims have been rejected. This report is mailed to each provider who had one or more claims or adjustments processed or in suspense at the time of the most recent warrant (check) printing.

Claims are reported in an alphabetical listing by patient name. All paid claims print out first, followed by a section of suspended claims, a section of rejected claims and then any claim adjustments. Suspended claims are only listed on alternate Remittance Advice, or approximately once a month. Each claim status report identifies the claim by patient name, patient Medical Assistance ID number, provider's own reference number (if submitted on the invoice by the provider), a claim reference number generated by the State, the date of service and the billing date.

### A. WARRANTS (CHECKS)

The check explained by the Remittance Advice is printed, signed and mailed separately by the State Department of Finance. It will be delivered by first class mail a few days before or after the Remittance Advice. If a provider has all claims rejected or in suspense during a payment cycle, the provider will receive a Remittance Advice but no check.

Checks cannot be directly forwarded. Address changes should be reported to the EPSDT Claims Processing Unit as soon as possible.

### B. CLAIMS STATUS

If there is a question regarding the status of a specific claim call:

EPSDT CLAIMS PROCESSING UNIT

Local - 296-7668

Long Distance - Within Minnesota

1-800-652-9747 ext. 6-7668

Long Distance - Outside Minnesota

612-296-7668 (call collect)

**ALL INQUIRIES REGARDING CLAIMS MUST  
INCLUDE THE CLAIM REFERENCE NUMBER  
REPORTED ON THE REMITTANCE ADVICE. HAVE**

THE APPROPRIATE REMITTANCE ADVICE  
AVAILABLE FOR REFERENCE WHEN CALLING.

### B.1. PAID CLAIMS

Claims which are paid will be reported as:

PAY		PAY
S	or	A

The "S" indicates that the claim was paid at the submitted dollar amount. The "A" represents allowable charge and means that the submitted charge was higher than the Department of Public Welfare maximum. Payment is made at the price submitted or at the allowable level, whichever is lower.

Some billing errors on the part of the provider may result in an incorrectly paid claim. For example, if a charge of 22.50 was typed on the invoice like this:

22.50

the optical character reading equipment would pick up the charge as 2.50 and pay the claim at that level.

Appendix C details the procedure to follow when a claim is under or over paid due to billing and processing errors.

### B-2. SUSPENDED CLAIMS

Claims are suspended for further processing and error correction. **DO NOT RESUBMIT SUSPENDED CLAIMS.** They will be paid or rejected when all internal errors have been resolved.

A claim may be reported in suspense simply because the invoice arrived just before a pay cycle, and there was insufficient time to complete the processing cycle. All claims which are not completed according to the instructions in Chapter Three will suspend. For example if your typewriter is out of alignment and types only partial characters, the machine processing system will only pick up partial data. The remainder of the data must then be manually entered at the state office.

Example: Out of alignment

If a claim is reported in suspense for over two months, contact the EPSDT Claims Processing Unit.

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PROVIDER NAME AND ADDRESS

WARRANT TOTAL

26.00

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PAGE NUMBER

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PROVIDER NAME AND ADDRESS

WARRANT TOTAL

150.00

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### **B-3. REJECTED CLAIMS**

A claim is rejected when it cannot be paid from the information that was submitted on the invoice. A rejection code always appears on the Remittance Advice to explain why the claim was rejected. Rejected claims may be re-submitted if the errors indicated by the rejection codes can be eliminated. Claims should be re-submitted on the Child Screening Form, DPW-1973.

### **B-4. UNREPORTED CLAIMS**

Inquiries about claims which have not been reported on a Remittance Advice within sixty days of submission must include the provider's ID number, provider's own reference number (if used on the invoice), the patient's Medical Assistance ID number, date of service, date of billing and patient's name.

### **C. DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF REMITTANCE ADVICE**

The provider Remittance Advice is printed on a general purpose form used for all medical care providers.

The preceding page illustrates an example of a Remittance Advice which has numbers to identify the position of each item of information presented. Each item of information is defined as follows:

1. **Provider Number**  
This is the provider's seven digit Medical Assistance ID number assigned by the State Department of Public Welfare at time of enrollment.
2. **Date of Payment**  
This is the date shown on the check (warrant) which this Remittance Advice explains. If no check is issued, this is the date the Remittance Advice was prepared. This date can be used to sequence the 26 Remittance Advices which most providers will receive each year.
3. **Warrant Number**  
This is the number of each warrant (if any) that this Remittance Advice explains.
4. **Page Number**  
This is the number of the page within the provider's Remittance Advice.
5. **EPSDT**  
This item indicates that the following claims were for screening services.
6. **Recipient Name**  
The patient's name as is shown on the Medical Assistance ID card. This name will differ from the name reported on the invoice if the number submitted was not copied correctly from the ID card and happens to be the number assigned to another recipient. The name will be absent if an invalid recipient ID number was reported on the invoice.  
**NOTE:** **Suspended** claims may have no name or the wrong name printed on the Remittance Advice. Ignore this. Claims are suspended for further processing and correction.
7. **Recipient ID**  
This is the patient's Medical Assistance ID number as reported on the invoice.

### **8. Status**

The codes for claim status are:

PAY = PAID  
SUS = SUSPENDED  
REJ = REJECTED

### **9. Provider's Own Reference Number**

This is the number or name the provider entered in the "Own Reference Number" box on the invoice.

### **10. Claim Reference Number**

This number was entered on the invoice by the State Department of Public Welfare when the invoice arrived for processing. This number uniquely identifies this claim and should be used if there are questions about payment or rejection of this claim.

### **11. Date of Invoice**

This is the "Billing Date" reported on the invoice.

### **12. Date of Service**

This is the "Screening Date" reported on the invoice.

### **13. Physical Charge**

This is the amount requested on the invoice for the physical assessment.

### **14. Immunization**

This is the amount requested on the invoice for immunizations that were given.

### **15. Lab Charge**

This is the amount requested on the invoice for the laboratory procedures.

### **16. Outreach**

This is the amount requested on the invoice for outreach (see page 00).

### **17. Payment Level**

The letter inserted here indicates the payment level in the following way:

A = Paid Allowable Charge  
S = Paid Submitted Charge

### **18. Claim Summary**

This is a written out statement indicating whether the claim was paid, suspended for further processing or rejected.

### **19. Amount Paid**

This is the amount paid for this invoice.

### **20. Status**

This is a repetition of the code indicating whether the invoice was paid, rejected or suspended for further processing.

### **21. Explanation Codes and Comments**

If the claim was rejected, codes indicating the errors made will appear here. See the list at the end of this section.

### **22. Debit Balance Used**

This amount is usually zero. This is the net debt of the provider to the Medical Assistance Program which was deducted from the amount paid to the provider on this payment cycle.

The debt to the Medical Assistance Program is the result of a previous adjustment transaction. When a debit balance is used, the amount is printed out only on the last page of the Remittance Advice.

### 23. Debit Balance Remaining

This is the net remaining debt of the provider to the Medical Assistance Program, as of the Date of Payment. Any remaining debt will be deducted from future payments to the provider. This amount prints out only on the last page of the Remittance Advice.

### 24. Page Total

This is the total net dollars reported paid on the given page.

### 25. Warrant Total

This is the net amount paid to the provider on the date of payment. This amount should be the same as the amount of the check from the same date. This amount prints out on the last page of the Remittance Advice.

### 26. Provider Name and Address

This is the name and "pay to" address of the provider.

## D. CLAIM ADJUSTMENTS ON THE REMITTANCE ADVICE

Appendix C details the procedures to use when requesting adjustment to a paid claim. Processed adjustments print out on the Remittance Advice after all the paid, suspended and rejected claims. Because an adjustment must refer back to an original paid claim, more information must print out on the Remittance Advice. Page 28 has the items of information numbered for identification. Each item of information is defined as follows:

#### A-1.-A-7. Provider and Recipient Information

See the explanation for items 1-7 on page 29.

#### A-8. Status

See Item 8 above. For adjustments transactions, there are two additional status codes.

DEB = MONEY OWED TO THE  
STATE

HST = TRANSACTION GOING INTO HISTORY

#### A-9. Provider's Own Reference Number

This is the provider's "Own Reference Number" used on the Adjustment Request Form.

#### A-10. Claim Reference Number

This is the number assigned by the state to the adjustment document at the beginning of processing.

#### A-11. Warrant Date

This is the original date of payment for the claim that is being adjusted.

#### A-12. Claim Adjusted

This is the claim reference number from the Remittance Advice that reported payment for the claim being adjusted.

#### A-13. Line Item Code

Does not apply to EPSDT. It will always be 00.

#### A-14. Provider's Own Reference Number

This is the number or name used on the original invoice as the provider's "Own Reference Number".

#### A-15. Reason Code

This is a two digit code giving the reason

for the adjustment. See the list at the end of this chapter.

#### A-16. Amount Billed

This is the amount of adjustment requested, credited or debited to the provider. Debits are marked with a minus sign.

#### A-17. Allowable Charge

This indicates allowable level of payment as follows:

A = Paid allowable charge  
S = Paid submitted charge

#### A-18. Summary Line

This is a written statement indicating whether the adjustment is paid, suspended or rejected.

#### A-19. Amount Paid

This is the amount credited or debited to the provider. Debits are marked with a minus sign.

#### A-20. Status

See A-8 above.

#### A-21. Explanation Codes and Comments

See the list at the end of this chapter.

#### A-22.-A-26. Remittance Advice Summary

See the explanation of items 22 to 26 on page 29.

## E. REJECTION REASONS AND ERROR CODES

When an invoice or part of an invoice is rejected a code or series of codes will appear in the Explanation Codes or Comments column of the Remittance Advice. They will indicate the primary reason the invoice or line was rejected and any other error or processing problems present in the claim at the time of rejection.

### 1. Primary Reject Reason-Entire Claim

When an entire claim is rejected the first code will be preceded by two asterisks (\*\*147). This is the main reason for rejection of the claim. It alone would cause the claim to be rejected. Find the code in this appendix and take whatever correction action is necessary before resubmitting the claim.

### 2. Reject Reason-Single Line

When a line from an invoice is rejected, that line will be printed and followed by the three digit reason code in the Explanation column. Find this code in this appendix and take necessary corrective action before resubmitting the line on a new invoice.

### 3. Supplemental Error Codes

When an entire claim is rejected a series of additional five digit codes may follow the primary reject reason code. One of these codes will usually be a repetition of the three digit reject reason preceded by two zeros (00147). The additional codes, if any, point to other possible errors on the invoice. Some of these may have been caused by the claims processing system and others may be caused by errors on the invoice as submitted.

The first two digits indicate the line number with which the error is associated. If the error is not line related 00 will precede the three digit code.

The last three digits indicate a code in this section. Find this code and check your file copy of the invoice to see if the

error appears there. Correct any errors you find before resubmitting a new invoice. If you do not find the error on your file copy you may assume the error was caused during claims processing and resubmit as before (remember this is for supplemental error codes only — primary reject reasons must be corrected before resubmission).

#### 4. Example: \*\*147,00147, 07188, 00209

- \*\*147** The claim was rejected because the Recipient's Medical Assistance Number was missing or incomplete. This must be corrected on any new invoice submitted.
- 00147** Repetition of primary reject reason.
- 07188** Service Date on line 07 is invalid. Check your file copy to see if the date was on the invoice and that it is a possible calendar date. If it is alright on the file copy resubmit the same way (this would mean that the error code was caused within the claims processing system and would be corrected for an invoice with a Recipient's Medical Assistance Number).
- 00209** Technical processing problem. This requires no action on the part of the provider.

#### 5. Rejects for Eligibility Reasons

If the primary reject reason indicates the person was ineligible at time of service, or not listed on the State's Case Information File, check your file copy to make sure the

Recipient's Medical Assistance Number was properly reported. If the number was correct other sources of payments should be sought or an inquiry made to the County Welfare Department to verify the client's welfare status.

#### 6. Definitions

For use in understanding the explanations of Reject Reasons and Codes the following terms are defined.

*Not numeric* - is not 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, or 0.

*Invalid - a)* is an incorrect item for that location on the invoice. Example: Codes specified in the Handbook must be used - TPL Codes, Insurance Company Codes, Injury Codes, Place of Service Codes, etc.

*Invalid - b)* data is not presented according to the correct format for that location on the invoice. Example: Dates must be 12/05/78 not 12/05/978 and not 12/5/78.

*Invalid - c)* data is impossible. Example: There is no such date as 12/41/78.

*Technical Processing Problem* - an Error Code which may appear on the Remittance Advice but is solely for DPW use in the Invoice Processing System. If a Primary Reject Reason or Line Item Reject Reason is listed as a technical processing problem in the following pages, call for clarification and/or correction.

## ERROR CODES

051-069	These error codes indicate technical processing problems and can generally be ignored by the provider.	117	Through Date is invalid.
071	There are no line items on this invoice.	118	Prescription Number is missing
072	Maximum number of line items has been exceeded (billings cannot be continued from one invoice to another).	119	Procedure/Service Code is missing.
073	A line item number was repeated on the invoice.	120	Service Code is missing.
074	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	121	Days Supply is not numeric.
075	Total Number of Lines Used is missing or in error.	122	Refill is not numeric.
076	Gross Total Charges in not equal to summ of line item charges.	123	Service date is invalid.
100	Provider ID # is not numeric.	124	Item Code is invalid.
101	Billing Date is invalid or missing.	125	Primary Diagnosis Code is missing.
102	Procedure Code is missing.	126	Charge for the line item is missing.
103	First two digits of Recipient's Medical Assistance Number must be 01 through 89.	127	Charge for the line item is not numeric.
104	Third digit of Recipient's Medical Assistance Number is not a valid Medical Assistance program code.	128	Service date is missing.
105	Fourteenth digit of Recipient's Medical Assistance Number is not valid.	129	TPL Code (Third Party Liability) is invalid.
106	Last two digits of Recipient's Medical Assistance Number are not numeric or do not represent the person named on the invoice.	130	Primary Diagnosis Code is invalid - wrong format or value. (Remember if H-ICDA Codes are used an H must precede the code.)
107	Prior Authorization number is not numeric.	131	Secondary Diagnosis Code is invalid. (See 130 above.)
108	Admission date is invalid.	132	Gross Total Charges is missing.
109	Attending Physician's ID # is not numeric.	133	Drug Code format is invalid.
110	Admission date is missing.	134	Gross Total Charges is not numeric.
111	Date Dispensed invalid.	135	Net Billed to MA is not numeric.
112	Drug Code or Supply Code is missing.	136	Net Billed to MA is missing.
113	Quantity is missing.	137	Place of service is invalid.
114	Discharge date is invalid.	138	Date of Pickup is invalid.
115	Amount Received from Other Sources is invalid.	139	# Persons Sharing Ride is not numeric.
116	From Date is invalid.	140	Charge code is missing.
		141	Submitted Rate/Mile is not numeric.
		142	Type Code is invalid.
		143	Destination Code is invalid.
		144	MD's ID # is not numeric.
		145	MD's ID # is invalid.
		146	Supply Code is not numeric.
		147	Recipient's Medical Assistance Number is missing or incomplete. Must contain 16 digits.
		148	Admission Date is invalid.



149	Total Days is not numeric or is missing.	208-209	Technical processing problems—provider may ignore these codes.
150	Patient type is missing.	210	Submitted charge is missing.
151	Type (modifier) code is invalid.	211	Original Line Number is missing or not numeric.
152	Hospital service code is missing.	212	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
153	Financial class is missing	213	Provider ID # is missing.
154	Admit source is missing.	214	Provider ID # is invalid.
155	Individual Group Member Number is zeroes, or not numeric.	215	Attending/Referring/Prescribing Physician ID # is invalid.
156	Tooth number is invalid or missing where required. A thru T or 1 thru 32 are valid.	216	Individual Group Member Number is invalid.
157	Service Code (2 Digit Code) is invalid.	217	Destination Facility ID# is invalid.
158	Type of Bills is 4 (Medicare Crossover claim cannot be submitted on a Practitioner invoice.)	218	Recipient Sex code is invalid or missing.
160	Total adjustment amount is not numeric.	219	Recipient Birthdate is invalid or missing.
161	Units of service is not numeric.	220	Date Ins. Billed is invalid.
162	Refill number is missing.	221	Injury Code is invalid or missing.
164	Claim Reference Number of Original Invoice to be Adjusted is invalid.	222	Line item Requested Increase is not numeric.
165	Warrant Date From Remittance Advice is invalid.	223	Line item Requested Increase is zero when Reason for Change indicates otherwise.
	This refers to the warrant date of the original claim which you are trying to adjust.	224	Line item Requested Decrease is not numeric.
167	Pints of Blood Furnished is missing.	225	Line item Requested Decrease is zero when Reason for Change indicates otherwise.
168	Pints of Blood Furnished is not numeric.	226	Line item Requested Increase and Requested Decrease both contain amounts.
169	Pints of Blood Not Replaced is missing.	227	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
170	Pints of Blood Not Replaced is not numeric.	228	Prescriber ID# is missing or not numeric.
171	Charge Per Pint of Blood is missing.	229	Prescriber ID# is invalid.
172	Charge Per Pint of Blood is not numeric.	230	Submitted Base Rate is not numeric.
173	its is not numeric or is invalid.	231	Procedure Date is invalid.
174	Rate is not numeric.	233	Procedure Code or Service Code is not numeric.
176	Gross Charge is missing from line item.	234	Procedure Code or Service Code is invalid.
177	Gross Charge is not numeric on line item.	235	Total of Non-Covered Charges is not numeric.
178	Not covered charge is not numeric.	236	Amount of Other Payments for Non-Covered Charges is not numeric.
179	Units/Days or Units/Miles is missing.	237-239	Technical processing problems—provider may ignore these codes.
180	Rate is missing from line item where required.	240	Date of screen is invalid.
181	Total claim charge is missing.	241	Screen code is not numeric.
182	Net claim charge is missing.	242	Outreach charge is not numeric.
183	Type of Bill is invalid or missing.	243	Line-item information is missing.
184	Leave Days is not numeric.	246	Prescribing MD# is not numeric.
185	Reason for Final Bill is invalid.	247	Code must be 1, 2, 3, 0, or blank.
186	Discharge Code is invalid.	248	Prescribing MD# is invalid.
187	Destination Facility ID # is not numeric.	249	Quantity is invalid.
188	Service Date (or From Date) is invalid.	250	Prescribing MD# is missing.
198	Service Date (or Through Date) is invalid.	251	Days Supplying is missing or is equal to zero.
190	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	251	Days Supply is missing or it equal to zero.
191	Allowed # Billings in zero or missing.	252	Prescribing MD# is invalid.
192	Total Authorized Charges is not numeric.	280-300	Technical processing problems—provider may ignore these codes.
193	Allowed Billings is not numeric.	301	Provider ID# is not on file with DPW.
194	Authorized Charge is not numeric.	302	Primary Diagnosis Code is invalid.
195	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	303	Service Date is after current date.
196	Medicare Deductible amount is not numeric.	304	Gross Total Charge is less Amount Received from Other Sources is not equal to Net Billed to M.A.
197	Service date is invalid.	305	Procedure Code or Service Code is not on file of valid codes.
198	Co-Insurance amount is not numeric.	306	Through Date is prior to From Date.
199	Amount Receivable from dicare is not numeric.	307	Processing Date is prior to Through Date.
200	Sum of Requested Increase does not equal computed sum of increase.	308	Processing Date is prior to Billing Date.
201	Sum of Requested Decreases does not equal computed sum of decreases	309	Place of service conflicts with Procedure Code or Service Code.
202	Reason for Change for Third Party Adjustment is invalid.	310	Type (MRVI modifier) conflicts with Procedure Code.
203	Third Party Underpayment is not numeric.	311	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
204	Third Party Underpayment is zero when Reason for Change indicates otherwise.	312	Secondary Diagnosis Code is invalid.
205	Third Party Overpayment is not numeric.	313	Sum of all Charges is not equal to Gross Total Charges.
206	Third Party Overpayment is zero when Reason for Change indicates otherwise.		
207	Third Party Overpayment and Third Party Underpayment both contain amounts.		

314	Drug Code or Supply Code is not on file.	352	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
315	Procedure Code or Service Code is invalid for this provider type.	353	Procedure or Service requires Prior Authorization and no Prior Authorization # is on the invoice.
316	Date Dispensed is after the processing date.	354	The provider's effective dates do not precede Service Date.
317	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	355	Procedure Code or Service Code does not require Prior Authorization.
318	From Date is after Through Date.	356	Provider ID# designates pharmacist or medical supplier and Claim Reference Number of original invoice to be Adjusted does not end in 01 thru 08.
319	From Date is before Admission Date.		or
320	Final Net Billed to MA is incorrectly calculated. (Check to see that correct type of bill was submitted.)		Provider ID# does not designate pharmacist or medical supplier and Claim Reference Number of Original Invoice to be Adjusted does not enter in 00.
321	Blood Pints Furnished is less than Blood Not Replaced.	357	Warrant Date from Remittance Advice is after Submission Date.
322	Total Days is not equal to sum of accommodation days charged on line items. The item days for Nursery should not be included in Total Days if this billing includes mother and baby charges.	358	This service is not covered by Medical Assistance.
323	Invalid Item Code on a billing for late charges. Room charges may not be billed as late charges.	359	Pharmacist or supplier can only adjust one claim per Adjustment Request.
324	Hospital service code is invalid.	360	Provider used a restricted Third Party Adjustment Reason Code.
325	Units/Days of Service times Rate does not equal line-item Not Covered charge.	361	Corrected Service Code is invalid for the type of provider.
326	Line-item total charges are less than the line-item non-covered charges.	362	Line item Requested Increases plus Third Party Underpayment does not equal Sum of Requested Increases.
327	Through Date is after processing date.	363	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
328	From Date is after processing date.	364	Same Original Line Number may not be adjusted more than once.
329	The sum of line-item Not Covered Charges is not equal to the Total of Non-Covered Charges.	365-367	Technical processing problems—provider may ignore these codes.
330	Date of Pick-up is after the processing date.	368	Third Party Reason for Change code is invalid.
331	Recipient's Age is incompatible with the Primary Diagnosis Code.	369	Reason for Change is invalid.
332	Recipient's Age is incompatible with the Primary Diagnosis Code.	370	Service Code (2 Digit Code) is invalid.)
333	Recipient's Age is incompatible with the Secondary Diagnosis Code.	371	Third Diagnosis is invalid.
334	Sum of Column A (Gross Charge) is not equal to Total of Gross Charges.	372	Billing Date precedes the Date of the Screen.
335	Through Date minus From Date minus Leave Days does not equal Total Days on a final bill OR Through Date minus From Date minus Leave Days does not equal Total Days minus one day on on interim bill.	373	Screen Code must be 105, 070, 080, 114, 115, 200, or 299.
336	Sum of line item Gross Charges is not equal to Gross Total Charges.	374	Referral provider type is not valid for screening code listed.
337	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	375	Billing Date precedes the Service Date.
338	Admission Date is after processing date.	376	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
339	Provider's rate is not on record for this service.	377	Total Claim Charge is not equal to the Sum of the physical, laboratory and immunization charges.
340	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	378	Disregard this claim since it was generated from the mechanized Medicare Part B Payment System, and it is a duplication of the charges you submitted on your Hospital Invoice.
341	Amount of Other Payments for Non-Covered Charges exceeds Total of Non-Covered Charges.	379	Recipient's Age is incompatible with the Third Diagnosis Code.
342	Amount of Other Payments for Non-Covered Charges exceeds Amount Received or Receivable from Other Sources.	380	First Diagnosis Code is invalid.
343	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	381	Second Diagnosis Code is invalid.
344	Supply Code is invalid for this provider type.	382	Third Diagnosis Code is invalid.
345	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	383	First Diagnosis Code is invalid.
346	The Submittee Charge is less than one dollar.	384	Second Diagnosis Code is invalid.
347	Prescribing MD# is not on file with DPW.	385	Medicare non-covered code is invalid.
348	Refil exceeds maximum allowable number.	386	First Diagnosis Code is incompatible with the procedure code.
349	Prescription Number must contain three significant digits.	387	Second Diagnosis Code is incompatible with the procedure code.
350	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	388	Recipient's Sex is incompatible with the Second Diagnosis Code.
351	Recipient's Age is incompatible with the Procedure Code.	389	Recipient's Sex is incompatible with the Third Diagnosis Code.
		390	First Diagnosis Code is invalid.
		391	Second Diagnosis Code is invalid.
		392	Third Diagnosis Code is invalid.

393	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	436	Medicare crossover professional component should be billed on the appropriate invoice.
397	Invalid combination of MRVI modifiers in the Type Box.	437	Duplicate claim submitted to Medicare.
398	Recipient Sex is incompatible with Procedure Codes or Service Code.	438	Duplicate cataract eye glasses must be prior authorized.
399	Recipient Sex is incompatible with ICDA code.	439	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
400	Sex association with Procedure Code is incompatible with sex associated with the ICDA code.	440	Deductible and coinsurance cannot both be equal to zero on a Medicare Crossover billing.
401	Tooth number is required for this service.	441	Deductible plus coinsurance cannot be greater than the total claim charge for a Medicare Crossover billing.
402	Admit source is invalid.	442	Total claim charges minus the Amount Received from Other Sources minus Amount Received from Medicare does not equal the Net Claim Charge.
403	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	443	EPSDT Line-Item is blank, or Abnormal and Normal have been checked.
404	Discharge disposition code is invalid.	444	This Medical Transportation provider cannot use Type of Bill equal to 4.
405	Charge code is invalid.	445-447	Technical processing problems—provider may ignore these codes.
406	Quantity is not within the allowable range.	448	This product was removed from the market by the F.D.A.
407	Drug is not covered on this Service Date.	449	Recipient must be less than 22 years old for EPSDT.
408	Supply is not covered on this Service Date.	450	Claim billed on the wrong invoice.
409	Provider is not eligible for first or only Service Date.	451	Provider is not enrolled to provide services in this category.
410	Provider is not eligible for last Service Date.	452	Medicare Crossover Calculation not equal to the Final Net Bill.
411	Provider is suspended and not eligible for first or only Service Date.	453	Invalid Item Code.
412	Provider is suspended and not eligible for last Service Date.	454	This service not covered by Medicare is also not covered by Medical Assistance.
413	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	455	This supply denied by Medicare should be billed on a Supplier Invoice (DPW 1858) with a note typed at the bottom stating "Rejected 455 from" the date of the Remittance Advice.
415	Provider ID# is not on active file.	456-459	Technical processing problems—provider may ignore these codes.
416	Provider is terminated and not eligible for first or only Service Date.	461	Provider type is invalid.
417	Provider is terminated and not eligible for last Service Date.	462	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
418	Patient type is invalid.	463	Service Date precedes the first date for which the provider is allowed to bill.
419	Inpatient Hospital miscellaneous charges exceed \$50.	464-466	Technical processing problems—provider may ignore these codes.
420	Outpatient hospital miscellaneous charges which exceed \$50 must be itemized.	467	DPW does not pay claims over 1 year old.
421	Line-item submitted charge does not equal the gross total charge.	468-469	Technical processing problems—provider may ignore these codes.
422	Submitted adjustment charge does not equal the total adjustment charge.	470	Last two digits of NDC code are blank.
424	Medicare crossover non-covered lines are not equal to the MA charge.	471	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
428	Medicare crossover gross total charge is not equal to adjustment plus other charges plus MA charge plus the deductible plus co-insurance plus Medicare payment.	473	Only one unit of therapy is allowed per day.
429	The financial class is invalid.	474	A non-Medicare certified provider cannot bill for therapy provided to non-residents.
430	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	475	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
431	Medicare Crossover procedure billed on the wrong invoice. Please rebill on the proper invoice.	477	A non-Medicare certified provider cannot use type of bill equal to 4.
432	This service denied by Medicare is not covered by Medical Assistance.	502-504	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore these codes.
433	This Podiatry service denied by Medicare should be billed on a Practitioner Invoice (PDW 1497) indicating "8" in the Type of Bill box.	505	This service is billed on the wrong invoice.
434	This supply denied by Medicare should be billed on a Supplier Invoice (DPW 1858) with a note typed at the bottom stating "Rejected 433 from" the date of the Remittance Advice.	506	The Catastrophic Health Expense Protection Program (CHEPP) does not cover over-the-counter drugs.
435	dicare Crossover Service was not filed within the specified time limit.	507	The Catastrophic Health Expense Protection Program (CHEPP) does not cover this service.
436	This service denied by Medicare should be billed on a Medical Transportation Invoice (DPW 1857) indicating "8" in the Type of Bill box.		

508	The Catastrophic Health Expense Protection Program (CHEPP) does not cover non-durable supplies.	603	Vision Care procedure code 80802 cannot be billed with procedure codes 80810 or 80820. Complete eyeglass replacement should be billed using 80103, 80104 or 80113, 80114 with the appropriate material codes.
509	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	604	The monthly maximum for personal care services is \$500.
510	The Catastrophic Health Expense Protection Program(CHEPP) does not cover EPSDT screenings.	605	Unable to identify the original claim to which the late charges should relate. Late charges must match Recipient's Medical Assistance Number and Dates of Service.
511	The Catastrophic Health Expense Protection Program (CHEPP) does not cover these services.	606	Item Code on the late charge invoice is the same as an Item Code on the original claim. Item codes may not be repeated.
512	Provider has indicated that he does not want to participate in the Catastrophic Health Expense Protection Program (CHEPP).	607-609	Technical processing problems—provider may ignore these codes.
513	Provider has indicated that he does not want to participate in the General Assistance Medical Care Program(GAMC).	610	Claim Reference Number of Original Invoice to be Adjusted cannot be found in file of paid claims.
514	This General Assistance Medical Care (GAMC) invoice should be billed to the county.	611	Provider ID# on Claim Reference Number of Original Invoice to be Adjusted does not match Provider ID# on the Adjustment Request.
	or	612	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
	Dates of Service are prior to the effective date for the Catastrophic Health Expense Protection Program (CHEPP).	613	Only one initial therapy evaluation is allowed per calendar year.
515	Invalid recipient ID number.	614	Restorative and maintenance therapy cannot be billed for the same date of service.
516	Home Health Care must bill each date of service on a separate line for the Catastrophic Health Expense Protection Program (CHEPP).	618	Original Line Number could not be located on Original Invoice to be Adjusted.
517	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	619	Original Line Number to be adjusted was on a rejected line on the Original Invoice. (Such a rejected line should be resubmitted on a new invoice for reconsideration.)
518	Provider has indicated that he does not want to participate in the Medical Assistance Program (MA).	620	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
519	The General Assistance Medical Care Program (GAMC) does not cover EPSDT screenings.	622	Third Party Requested Increase must be less than or equal to the amount entered in Amount Received From Other Sources box on the Original Invoice.
520-522	Technical processing problems—provider may ignore these codes.	623	Requested Decrease must be less than or equal to the amount Medical Assistance paid on the Original Invoice.
523	Medical Supply rental is greater than one-half of the purchase price.	625	Third Party Requested Decrease must be equal to the amount Medical Assistance paid on the Original Invoice.
524	Medical supply transaction code is invalid.	626	Line-Item Requested Decrease must be equal to the amount Medical Assistance paid on the Original Invoice.
525	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	627	Personal care services cannot be billed while the recipient is in the hospital.
527	Transaction code must be 01, 02, 03, 04 or 52.	628	Duplicate Adjustment.
528	This supply requires prior authorization.	630	Number of visits (Units) for Office/Hospital/Medical Services (MRVI Codes 90000-00220) exceeds the allowable limit for a calendar month.
529	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	631	Number of visits (Units) for Extended Care Services (MRVI Codes 903000-90470) exceeds the allowable limit for a calendar month.
530	This procedure should be billed to Medicare.	632	Number of visits (Units) for Psychiatric Services (MRVI Code 90841) exceeds the allowable limit for a calendar year.
531	its for a surgical procedure cannot be greater than one.	633	Number of visits (Units) for Psychiatric Services (MRVI Code 90848) exceeds the allowable limit for a calendar year.
532	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	634	Number of visits (Units) for Psychiatric Services (MRVI Code 90849) exceeds the allowable limit for a calendar year.
535	Invalid provider type for this supply code.	635	Number of visits (Units) for Psychiatric Service (MRVI Code 90853) exceeds the allowable limit for a calendar year.
536	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.		
567	DPW cannot pay a claim which is over 2 years old.		
569	These services are not covered by Medical Assistance for that diagnosis.		
570	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.		
571	Reimbursement Amount equal zero.		
572-582	Technical processing problems—provider may ignore these codes.		
583	Reimbursement Amount is equal to zero.		
584	Charge line-item is a negative amount.		
599-602	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore these codes.		

636	Number of visits (Units) for Psychiatric Service (MRVI Code 90862) exceeds the allowable limit for a calendar year.	663	Duplicate Medicare crossover claim.
637	Only one visit (Unit) for Psychiatric Service (MRVI Code 90898) is allowed per day.	644	Duplicate Medicare crossover claim.
638	Number of visits (Units) for Ophthalmological/Otorhinolaryngologic services (MRVI Codes 92000 thru 92598) exceeds the number allowed in a calendar month.	665	Vision Care procedure codes 80101, 80102, 80103, 80104, 80113, or 114 cannot be billed more than once a year unless they are prior authorized.
639	Number of visits (Units) for Emergency Room Services (MRVI Codes 90500-90699) exceeds the number allowed for a calendar month.	666	Vision Care procedure codes 80802, 80803, 80804, <del>80810</del> or <del>80820</del> cannot be billed with procedure codes 80103, 104, 80113 or 80114.
641	Number of visits (Units) accumulated Antepartum and Postpartum Care (MRVI Codes 59420 and 59430) exceeds the number allowed for a calendar month.	667	Vision Care procedure code 80105 cannot be billed with procedure codes 80101, 81012, 103, 80104, 80113, 80114.
642	Number of Units of a MRVI Code in the 90000 series exceeds the number allowed for a calendar month.	668	Duplicate Medicare crossover claim.
643	The same Radiology procedure (MRVI Code 70000 thru 89999) exceeds the number allowed for a calendar month.	669	Medicare Crossover Claim conflicts with Medical Transportation Claim.
645	Total OB Care (MRVI Code 594003) should include all antepartum and postpartum care.	670	Prescription refills are limited to six months from the original dispensing date.
647	This procedure appears to be a duplicate. The dates of service for this procedure overlap with another line on this claim.	671	The allowable number of prescriptions for the same drug has been exceeded.
648	This procedure appears to be a duplicate. The dates of service overlap with a previous claim.	672	Duplicate Compound or C Pharmacy Claim. A previous claim covered the same Drug/Supply and Service Date.
649	Duplicate service code on the same invoice.	673	Duplicate refill number.
650	A patient must not see two practitioners on the same Service Date for medical visits unless on practitioner is a consultant.	674	Pharmacy claim conflicts with an Inpatient Hospital Invoice for the same recipient.
651	A claim for a surgery procedure cannot have the same Service Date as a claim for Medical services (MRVI Codes 60000 thru 99999) unless the Medical service is a consultation service.	675	Duplicate Pharmacy Claim. A previous claim from the same provider covered the same NDC Code and Service Date.
652	Number of Nursing Home visits (Units) exceeds the number allowed for a week.	676	Duplicate Pharmacy Claim. A previous claim from a different provider covered the same Drug/Supply Code and Service Date.
653	Different providers cannot bill for the same surgery procedure, or the same non-physician procedures on the same date, unless modifier F & G are used along with the same surgery procedure or if Pathology & Radiology procedure appear on the same billing.	677	Medicare Crossover claim conflicts with a claim submitted on a supply invoice.
654	Cannot have procedure codes for Antepartum Care, Postpartum Care, and Normal Delivery during the same time period covered by a total OB Care package.	678	Duplicate Medical Transportation Claim.
655	Cannot have procedure codes for Antepartum and Postpartum Care during the same time period as medical service codes.	679	Outpatient Emergency Room Physician services conflict with another Physician claim.
656	Claims with Emergency Room Services should not occur within 1 day of another claim with Emergency Room Services.	680	Two institutional claims overlap.
657	Medicare crossover claims conflict if the Service Dates overlap, Provider ID#'s are identical, and the Deductible and Co-insurance are equal.	681	Claim conflicts with another claim for Medical Transportation on the same date.
658	Medicare crossover claims conflict with Practitioner Invoice for the same category of service and Service Dates overlap.	682	Medical Transportation claim is for service which falls within period covered by an Inpatient Hospital Invoice.
659	The number (Units) of Nursing Home medical Services is excessive for the time period covered.	683	Service Dates for claim overlap service dates covered by an Inpatient Hospital Invoice.
660	For Place of Service of Inpatient Hospital (3) the Units exceed the allowable limits.	684	Outpatient service for Psychiatry, Dentistry, or Therapy cannot be billed while Recipient is in Inpatient Care.
661	MRVI modifier S is required for multiple Inpatient visits for one Service Date.	685	Inpatient Hospital service dates overlap with another claim from the same provider.
662	The Catastrophic Health Expense Protection Program (CHEPP) covers only 180 Home Health visits.	686	Prior Authorization is required when this service is performed twice on the same date of service.
		687	This service exceeds the limitations of the Medical Assistance Program (MA).
		688	Duplicate Claim A previous claim covered the same Procedure Code and Dates of Service.
		689	Duplicate Claim A previous claim covered the same Procedure/Drug/Supply Code and Service Date.
		690	Duplicate Claim. Two or more lines on the same invoice duplicate each other.
		691	Number of visits exceeds the allowable limit per calendar year.
		692	The number of Therapy visits (Units) exceeds the number allowed for a calendar year.
		693	Daily average allowance for Physical Therapy has been exceeded.
		694	Duplicate screening exam.
		697	Dates of service cannot overlap within a claim.
		698	Duplicate claim.

700	Recipient's Medical Assistance Number as reported on the invoice cannot be found in the Case Information File.	728	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
701	Birthdate reported on the invoice does not match birthdate on the Case Information File. Most frequently this indicates that an improper Recipient's Medical Assistance Number was reported. Special attention should be given to the final two digits of the MA ID# which differentiate family members.	729	Authorization for this claim is outdated. or The Prior Authorization for this claim was denied.
702	Sex reported on the invoice does not match sex on Case Information File. See comments under 701 above.	730	Other Charges covered by MA but not by Medicare exceeds \$100.00 and no explanation was attached.
703	Recipient was ineligible for payments on first or only Service Date under MA ID number used. Special attention to current ID for period of service.	731	This recipient is restricted to certain providers and the provider ID# does not match any of the specified provider.
704	Recipient was ineligible for payments on last Service Date.	732	Pharmacy code indicates that the recipient resides in a Long Term Care facility, however, our Case Information file indicates the recipient does not reside in a Long Term Care facility.
705	Recipient is ineligible for payments on the date of service.	733	This orthodontic service must be itemized according to the initial placement fee and monthly billings.
706	The Case Information File indicates this recipient has Medicare coverage but there is no indication this service has been billed to Medicare.	734	Personal care services cannot be billed while a recipient resides in a Long Term Care facility.
707	Refer to 706.	738	The Case Information File indicates this recipient has Medicare coverage, but there is no indication that this service has been billed to Medicare.
708	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.	722	Inpatient Hospital Extension/Adverse Decisions Notice and Physician Recertification (DPW 1931) does not have a matching Inpatient Hospital Admission Notice and Physician Certification (DPW 1819) on file.
709	First two digits of Recipient's Medical Assistance Number are not between 01 and 89.	773	Services billed extend more than 72 hours after the utilization review committee's denial.
710	Third digit of Recipient's Medical Assistance Number is not a valid Medical Assistance program code.	774	Inpatient Hospital Extension/Adverse Decision Notice and Physician Recertification (DPW 1931) not received and hospital stay is more than 60 days.
711	Fourteenth digit of Recipient's Medical Assistance Number is not valid.	775	Inpatient Hospital Invoice does not have a matching Inpatient Hospital Admission Notice and Physician Certification (DPW 1819) on file.
712	Last two digits of Recipient's Medical Assistance Number are not numeric or do not represent the person named on the invoice.	776	Physician's certification of need for private room has not been received.
713	The Case Information File indicates that this recipient has Medicare coverage, but there is no indication on this invoice that this service has been billed to Medicare.	777	See 775 above.
714	Recipient is enrolled in HMO. Contact the HMO for payment.	780-789	Technical processing problems—provider may ignore these codes.
715	Recipient was ineligible for payments on the first or only Service Date under the MA-ID used.	800-802	Technical processing problems—provider may ignore these codes.
716	Medical Supply for recipient in long term care facility should be provided by the facility.	803	Physician's name is missing.
717	Recipient is enrolled in an HMO. Contact the HMO for payment.	804	Provider should recalculate the submitted charge.
720	Maximum number of prior authorized billings for this service has been exceeded.	805	This claim was denied by the Medical Assistance consultants.
712	The provider prior authorized to deliver this service does not match the Provider ID# shown on the invoice.	806	Procedure Code is vague. Please resubmit with a more definitive Procedure (Service) Code or submit a verbal description of the Service under Procedure Name or as an attachment to the invoice.
723	Procedure requiring Prior Authorization was not included on the Prior Authorization indicated by the Prior Authorization # on the invoice.	807	This service is not covered by the Minnesota Medical Assistance Program.
724	The Prior Authorization # on this invoice does not match anything in the file of Prior Authorization.	808	This claim exceeds the allowable number of services for this diagnosis.
725	This service has already been Prior Authorized (Duplicate Prior Authorization).	809	Minnesota Medical Assistance does not cover reductions which have been made by a Medicare Intermediary.
726	The Prior Authorized amount for this service is \$0.00.	810	With regard to the diagnosis, this service is not covered by Medical Assistance.
727	The Tooth Number or Letter for which this service was Prior Authorized does not match the Tooth Number or Letter on the invoice.	811	Recipient is not eligible for service under the Recipient's Medical Assistance Number shown on the invoice.
	or	812	Allowable charge under Minnesota Medical Assistance is less than the Amount Received from Other Sources. Net payment equals \$0.00.
	Transaction code on this invoice does not match the transaction code on the prior authorization.		

813	Procedure Code shown is "By Report" or unlisted and requires written description of the service.	833	Inpatient and Outpatient 42 days. Automatic Reject.
814	Description of service is insufficient to accurately determine payment amount.	834	Prior Authorization omitted for supply requiring a Prior Authorization.
815	The service description and procedure code are inconsistent.	835	Claim covered when submitted by authorized provider.
816	This service must be billed on the proper invoice type (i.e., Supplies must be on Medical Supplier Invoice. Transportation on Medical Transportation Invoice, Dental on Dental Invoice, etc.)	836	This service denied by Medicare should be rebilled on a practitioner Invoice indicating "8" in the Type of Bill box.
817	Primary Diagnosis is required.	837	Point of origin and/or destination is missing.
818	Please resubmit this claim with complete data on any insurance claims or amounts received from insurance companies.	843	This claim has been denied by our consultants because it represents a duplication of services and/or materials within a 12-month period.
819	Recipient is an HMO participant. Provider should contact HMO for payment.	851	Rebill this service or supply to Medicare.
820	Recipient's Name cannot be found on Central Case Information File.	852	Rebill this service by sending the Medicare Explanation of Benefit sheet.
821	Services rendered must be itemized on the invoice for payment.	853	The consent form must be signed 72 hours prior to the surgery. This claim may <b>not</b> be resubmitted.
822	This line item has been combined with another line item on this invoice.	854	The consent form is inappropriate with respect to Federal guidelines. Please refer to Inpatient Hospital Bulletin #13 or Outpatient #12 or Physician #17. This claim may <b>not</b> be resubmitted.
823	No Benefit is payable for Co-Insurance if the provider does not submit an assigned claim to the appropriate Medicare Carrier.	855	Consent form is <b>not</b> attached to the claim.
824	Medicare Professional Component should be billed on an Inpatient or Outpatient Invoice.	856	Consent form is illegible.
825	This service denied by Medicare should be billed on a Medical Transportation Invoice (DPW 1857) indicating "8" in the Type of Bill box.	857	The witness signature on the consent form is missing. This claim may <b>not</b> be resubmitted.
826	Supply denied by Medicare should be billed on a Supply Invoice (DPW 1858) with a note typed at the bottom "Service not covered by Medicare."	858	The recipient's signature is missing on the consent form. This claim may <b>not</b> be resubmitted.
827	This service denied by Medicare is also not covered by Medical Assistance (same as EC 431.)	859	This sterilization claim has been denied by the Medical Advisory Unit because the recipient is under 21 years of age. This claim may <b>not</b> be resubmitted.
828	This podiatry service denied by Medicare should be billed on a Practitioner Invoice (DPW 1497) indicating "8" in the Type of Bill box.	860	This sterilization claim has been denied by the Medical Advisory it because the requested Operative report and/or other information is missing.
829	Authorizing physician's prescription not attached to invoice.	861	This sterilization claim has been denied because the recipient is mentally retarded and therefore cannot give informed consent. This claim may <b>not</b> be resubmitted.
830	Medicare calculation is incorrect.	900	Technical processing problem—provider may ignore this code.
831	Additional payment is not warranted.		
832	Supply rejected by county responsibility.		

## **ORDER FORM FOR DPW FORMS**

### **APPENDIX A**

The Requisition for DPW Forms (DPW-121) is used to order all forms referenced with a DPW-XXX in the text of this handbook. The forms that may be ordered are listed on the following example DPW-121. All forms are **free-of-charge**.

It is advisable to request a three month supply when ordering. You should allow about three weeks from the time of ordering to the arrival of your order.

Complete the DPW-121 as follows:

1. Mail the completed requisition to this address.
2. Your name and address must be indicated.
3. The requisition must be signed and dated.
4. The form number of the item ordered must be listed.
5. The title of the form must be indicated.
6. The quantity of forms ordered should be listed in this column.

The Provider should retain the pink copy and mail the rest intact to the Department.

Note: It is necessary to order additional REQUISITIONS when completing an order.



# REQUISITION FOR DPW FORMS FROM CENTENNIAL STORES

Mail this  
requisition  
to:

FORMS MANAGEMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE  
CENTENNIAL OFFICE BUILDING  
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55155

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FOR DPW APPROVAL

SEND FORMS ORDERED TO:

2

AGENCY OR NAME Midwest Clinic		
ADDRESS 202 Main Street		
CITY Hometown	STATE MN	ZIP CODE 55175

PLEASE SIGN REQUISITION HERE:

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*Your Signature*  
DATE 03/10/80

4 Form number	5 Form Title	6 Quantity	DPW or Centennial Stores use only ACTION TAKEN (see reverse)
DPW- 1973	EPS/EPST Invoice		
DPW- 1865	EPST Envelope		
DPW- 1998	Referral for Treatment		
DPW- 2384	FEP Instruction Sheet		
DPW- 2383	FEP Testing Lab Slip		
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Send WHITE, LABEL, and BLUE copies with stub intact to DPW.  
Retain PINK copy.

## **ORDER FORM FOR MDH FORMS**

### **APPENDIX B**

The Requisition for EPS/EPSTD/PSS Forms (517-29) is used to order forms from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH).

The following example of the requisition form shows all the EPS, EPSTD and PSS forms available from MDH. You should select materials from the EPSTD column.

Complete the order form as follows:

1. Mail the completed requisition to this address.
2. The Provider's name and address must be indicated.
3. Enter the quantity desired.

Note that additional requisition forms are ordered by indicating a quantity in the last line on the form.

# **REQUISITION FOR EPS/EPSDT FORMS**

1

Mail this requisition to: Comprehensive Child Health Screening Unit  
Minnesota Department of Health  
717 S.E. Delaware Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55440

Send order to: 2

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

## **FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

☐ UPS ☐ Parcel Post  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Packer \_\_\_\_\_ Date Sent \_\_\_\_\_  
Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Charge \_\_\_\_\_

## **ALLOW 4-6 WEEKS FOR DELIVERY**

Please print or type. Order only the quantity of materials to be used within the next two to three months.

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Title	Forms available to:		Form #	Quantity
	EPS	EPSDT		
Denver Developmental Screening Test Sheets	yes	yes	517-1	
Dental Assessment Form (for use by nurses)	yes	yes	517-2a	
Dental Assessment Form (for use by dental professionals)	yes	yes	517-2b	
Family and Perinatal History	yes	yes	517-3	
Food Intake Record	yes	yes	517-4	
Grow Power Brochures (EPS)	yes	no	517-5	
Grow Power Posters (EPS)	yes	no	517-7	
Growth and Head Circumference Charts				
Boys (2-18 Years)	yes	yes	517-9	
Infant Boys (0-36 Months)	yes	yes	517-10	
Girls (2-18 Years)	yes	yes	517-11	
Infant Girls (0-36) Months)	yes	yes	517-12	
Hearing Checksheet	yes	yes	517-13	
Hearing Record	yes	yes	517-14	
Immunization Record	yes	no	517-15	
Individual Health Histories				
0-6 Years	yes	yes	517-16	
7-13 Years	yes	yes	517-17	
14-21 Years	yes	yes	517-18	
Laboratory Procedures Flow Chart	yes	no	517-19a	
Nutrition Assessment Summary	yes	no	517-19b	
Parental Consent for Screening	yes	no	517-20	
Release of Information	yes	no	517-21	
Survey for Parents	yes	no	517-22	
Tracking Record	yes	no	517-23	
Vision Record	yes	no	517-24	
Denver Developmental Screening Manual	yes	yes	517-25	
Denver Developmental Screening Kit	yes	yes	517-26	
Prescreening Developmental Questionnaires (PDQ)	yes	yes	517-28	
Requisition for EPS/EPSDT Forms	yes	yes	517-29	
EPSDT Invoice	yes	no	517-30	

# ADJUSTMENTS TO PAID CLAIMS

## APPENDIX C

The Adjustment Request form (DPW-1854) is the form used to make corrections to claim which the EPSDT Program has incorrectly paid. The corrections can be credits to or debits from the provider due to mistakes caused by the provider, the claims processing system or a third party insurance group. This form **cannot** be used to collect for rejected claims. The form is one used by all providers and can be very efficient when properly completed.

When a payment problem arises it will be necessary to analyze the situation first before completing the adjustment. The following steps are designed to aid in this analysis.

- A. Study the problem as it appears on the Remittance Advice (R.A.). It is an underpayment or an overpayment?
- B. Compare the information about the claim listed on the R.A. with the file copy of the invoice itself. Check to see if these match the recipient I.D., and, the charge billed. This comparison will show any mistake made when the invoice itself was interpreted by the optical reading equipment.
- C. When the situation has been analyzed, the adjustment form can be prepared. It will be necessary to have these items presented: 1) the remittance advice from which the claim was incorrectly paid, 2) the green copy of the invoice, and 3) the adjustment code list. Please note that only **one** claim can be adjusted on each form.

The following description is a step-by-step explanation to assist in the correct completion of the Adjustment Request form. A sample of the form itself follows this description.

### **Box 1 — Claims Processing Document Control Number**

Leave this space **BLANK**. When the Adjustment Request is processed by the Medical Assistance Program, a number is assigned to it and printed mechanically on the adjustment on this space.

### **Box 2 — Provider's Name**

Enter the name of the physician or clinic. Remember to use all capital alphabetic characters on this form.

Example:     **MIDWEST CLINIC**

### **Box 3 — Provider I.D. Number**

Enter the seven digit M.A. provider identification number.

Example:     **0212345**

### **Box 4 1— Own Reference Number**

Completion of this box is optional. It is designed to hold a combination of up to nine numbers, capital letters or spaces. Assigning a unique reference number to each Adjustment form will enable the provider to cross reference his/her copy of it.

### **Box 5 — Submission Date**

Enter the date this Adjustment Request is completed. Use a six digit format for this date. Use only a hyphen to separate month, day and year. Do **NOT** use a slash.

Example:     **02-11-**

### **Box 6 — Street Address**

Enter the business address of the provider.

Example:     **202 S. MAIN ST.**

### **Box 7 — City/State/Zip**

Enter the city, state, and postal zip code of your office. Standard state abbreviations are acceptable.

Example:     **HOMETOWN MN 55123**

### **Box 8 — Claim Reference Number of Original Invoice to be Adjusted.**

Enter the claim reference number from the remittance advice where the claim was incorrectly paid.

Example:     **770580761233701**

### **Box 9 — Own Reference Number from Original Claim**

Enter the reference number from box 4 on the original invoice. If there was no number used, leave this blank.

Example:     **1076026**

### **Box 10 — Warrant Date from Remittance Advice**

Enter the date of payment from the top of the remittance advice. Again, this is a six digit date with a hyphen used to separate month, day, and year.

Example:     **12-08-76**

### **Boxes 15-30**

Leave these boxes **BLANK**.

### **Box 31 — Reason for Change**

SEND REQUESTS TO: Minnesota Medical Assistance Program -- Department of Public Welfare, Box 30197, St. Paul 55175

# ADJUSTMENT REQUEST

FIGURE 3

CLAIMS PROCESSING DOCUMENT CONTROL NUMBER

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ELITE PICA  
[ ] [ ]

TYPEWRITER ALIGNMENT  
USE CAPITAL LETTERS ONLY

ELITE PIC  
[ ] [ ]

## PROVIDER INFORMATION

PROVIDER'S NAME

PROVIDER ID #

OWN REFERENCE #

SUBMISSION DATE

STREET ADDRESS

CITY/STATE/ZIP

CLAIM REFERENCE NUMBER OF  
ORIGINAL INVOICE TO BE ADJUSTED

OWN REFERENCE NUMBER  
FROM ORIGINAL CLAIM

WARRANT DATE FROM  
REMITTANCE ADVICE

## RECIPIENT INFORMATION

RECIPIENT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, INITIAL)

RECIPIENT'S MEDICAL ASSISTANCE NUMBER

SEX

BIRTHDATE

ORIGINAL LINE  
NUMBER

REASON FOR  
CHANGE

CORRECTED  
SERVICE CODE

CORRECTED  
TYPE

CORRECTED  
UNITS

REQUESTED  
INCREASE

REQUESTED  
DECREASE

DELETE

## THIRD PARTY ADJUSTMENTS ONLY

REASON  
FOR CHANGE

THIRD PARTY  
UNDERPAYMENT

THIRD PARTY  
OVERPAYMENT

DELETE

IF CONTINUATION

PAGE 35 OF 36

SUM OF REQUESTED  
INCREASES

SUM OF REQUESTED  
DECREASES

TOTALS

## FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

DO NOT COMPLETE THESE ITEMS

DO NOT HAND WRITE OR MARK ABOVE THIS LINE

EXPLANATION OR COMMENTS

### PROVIDER CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information given above is correct. I understand that any payment and satisfaction of this claim will be from Federal, State and Local funds, and that any false claims, statements or documents or concealment of a material fact may be prosecuted under applicable Federal or State laws.

X

Authorized Signature

### FOR DEPARTMENT USE ONLY

X

Approved by

## REASON CODES FOR CLAIM ADJUSTMENTS

### CREDIT TO PROVIDER

#### I. Provider Errors

Underpayment due to:

- \* Misc. (explanation must be included)
- 11 Incorrect service
- 12 Incorrect number of units (quantity)
- 13 Incorrect modifier or type
- 14 Incorrect submitted charge
- \*15 Overstated Medicare collection

#### II. System Errors

Underpayment due to

- 31 Reference file (fee schedule)
- 32 Misscanned information
- \*33 Medicare coinsurance/deductible
- \*39 Misc. (explanation must be included)

#### III. Third Party Collections

Underpayment due to:

- \*21 Overstated health insurance recovery
- \*24 Overstated Workmen's Compensation recovery
- \*29 Other (explanation must be included)

### DEBIT TO PROVIDER

#### I. Provider Errors

Overpayment due to:

- \*60 Misc. (explanation must be included)
- 61 Incorrect service code
- 62 Incorrect number of units (quantity)
- 63 Incorrect modifier or type
- 64 Incorrect submitted charge
- Later collection from Medicare

#### II. System Errors

Overpayment due to:

- \*80 Duplicate payment
- 81 Reference file (fee schedule)
- 82 Misscanned information)
- \*83 Medicare coinsurance/deductible
- \*87 Payment to wrong provider
- \*88 Payment for ineligible recipient
- \*89 Misc. (explanation must be included)

#### III. Third Party Collections

Overpayment due to:

- \*71 Health insurance recovery
- \*74 Workmen's Compensation recovery
- \*75 Auto insurance recovery
- \*79 Other (explanation must be included)

#### Box 32 — Third Party Underpayment

Enter the total amount of underpayment on the claim.

#### Box 33 — Third Party Overpayment

Enter the total amount of overpayment on the claim.

#### Box 37 — Sum of Requested Increase

Enter the amount shown in Box 32.

#### Box 38 — Sum of Requested Decreases

Enter the amount shown in Box 33.

### EXPLANATION OR COMMENTS

This is a section in which you may list any special information which may clarify this adjustment. It is often helpful to include the page number from the remittance advice where the claim was incorrectly paid. If other materials are attached, indicate here.

#### Box 44 — Provider Certification

This will verify that the provider is submitting correct information. The signature may be written, rubber-stamped or typewritten.

# MEDICAL ASSISTANCE IDENTIFICATION CARD

## OTHER PERSONS COVERED

Listed here are names, birthdates, OHC codes, and ID numbers of other family members. NOTE: The grantee/sequence numbers are different for each member of the family. Enter the proper number on the invoice.

## OTHER HEALTH COVERAGE

This indicates any other health insurance coverage.  
Y - indicates there is other coverage.  
N - indicates no other coverage.  
A - indicates Part A Medicare.  
B - indicates Part B Medicare.

## SIGNATURE & DATES

The person whose name is shown must have signed the card. Cards are issued for a one month period. If a current card is not presented, inquire with the county welfare agency about eligibility.

### OTHER PERSONS COVERED

NAME

NAME	FIRST	LAST	BIRTHDATE	OHC	ID
Peter	FIRST				87-2-000-008-7654-103
Patterson	LAST		05/04/70	-N	
Patty	FIRST				87-2-000-008-7654-104
Patterson	LAST		01/21/72	-N	
	FIRST				
	LAST				
	FIRST				
	LAST				
	FIRST				
	LAST				
	FIRST				
	LAST				

CUT ALONG THIS LINE

STATE OF MINNESOTA

MEDICAL IDENTIFICATION

SIGNATURE

*Patterson, Wright*

BIRTHDATE

10/21/36

OHC

N

VALID FROM

09/01/78

TO

09/30/78

NAME

Patterson Wright

ADDRESS

690 Elm Lane

CITY/STATE

Hometown, Minnesota 55123

ID NUMBER

87-2-000-008-7654-101

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

DPW-1851  
(4-77)

MEDICAID PAYS FOR SERVICES  
RECEIVED ONLY ON DATES YOU  
ARE CERTIFIED AS ELIGIBLE

## RESPONSIBLE COUNTY

These two digits refer to the county responsible for the recipient's financial payments.

## PROGRAM CODE

This code identifies the program under which the recipient becomes eligible for medical services.

## CASE NUMBER

This ten digit number is assigned by the county welfare agency to each case as the person becomes eligible for assistance.

## GRANTEE/SEQUENCE NUMBER

This number uniquely identifies each member of the family. Person 101 is usually the head of the household. Services rendered must be identified with that person's own number.

## RECIPIENT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

This is the number which the provider must enter accurately on the billing invoice. This allows the centralized processing system to perform various edits related to recipient eligibility, duplicate payments, and appropriateness of the service to the recipient's unique situation.

A. Introduction

This rule governs the administration of the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment Program (hereinafter referred to as the EPSDT Program). This program is mandated by Section 1905(a)(4)(B) of the Social Security Act.

The purpose of the EPSDT Program is to identify potentially handicapping conditions in children eligible for Medical Assistance, to provide diagnosis and treatment for conditions identified, and to encourage the entrance of children into the health care system.

*Note: It is the intention of the Department, in order to ensure effective delivery of EPSDT services, that parents be involved with the child throughout the screening, diagnosis and treatment process. However, since the program includes "children" through age twenty, the Department recognizes that some children, including teenagers and adults who are eighteen through twenty, may be able to supply requested information themselves and may not wish to have their parents involved in the screening process. To allow for such cases, references in this rule are made to "parent/child". In using this language, the Department intends that health providers and local welfare agencies involve the parent whenever possible in the program, but also recognize the right of the child to privacy.*

B. Definitions

1. Child: For purposes of this rule, any individual from birth through twenty years of age who is eligible for Medical Assistance.
2. Commissioner: The Commissioner of Public Welfare.
3. Department: The Department of Public Welfare.
4. Diagnosis: Determination of the nature or cause of physical or developmental disease or abnormality through the use of health history, physical, developmental, and psychological examination, laboratory tests and x-rays.
5. EPSDT Equivalent Clinic: A facility which provides screening services according to Minnesota Department of Health EPS standards, provides follow-up services, and is monitored by the Minnesota Department of Health. Such facilities provide comprehensive care in a sequence incompatible with the completion of the EPSDT billing form.
6. EPSDT Provider Agreement: An agreement between a provider of screening services and the Department that the provider, in order to qualify for Medical Assistance reimbursement, will screen each Medical Assistance child according to the appropriate screening standards specified in Section D of this rule, will report all findings on the EPSDT billing form, and will refer children according to procedures specified in Section G.2. of this rule.



7. Follow-up: Efforts by local agencies to ensure that the screening, diagnosis and treatment services needed by a child are obtained.
8. Local agency: The county welfare board, multi-county welfare board, or human service agency established in accordance with state law and responsible for the administration of the EPSDT Program at the county level.
9. Medical Assistance: Program authorized under Title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide medical care for individuals whose resources do not enable them to purchase such care.
10. Minnesota Department of Health-Approved EPS Clinic: An agency which provides screening services according to Minnesota Department of Health screening and administrative standards, which operates under the supervision of a registered nurse, public health nurse, or pediatric/family nurse practitioner, and which qualifies for Medical Assistance and other public third party reimbursement.
11. Nurse-Supervised EPSDT Clinic: A facility or individual which provides screening services according to Minnesota Department of Health screening standards and Department of Public Welfare administrative standards. Such clinics operate under the supervision of a registered nurse, public health nurse, or pediatric/family nurse practitioner, and qualify for Medical Assistance reimbursement.
12. Outreach: Efforts by the Department or local agencies to inform and encourage persons to avail themselves of services which they might not otherwise request without such assistance.
13. Periodic: At regular, fixed intervals established for screening by health care experts to assure that disease or abnormality is not incipient or has not appeared since the child's last evaluation.
14. Physician-Supervised EPSDT Clinic: A facility or individual which provides screening services according to physician screening standards, which operates under the supervision of a licensed physician, and which qualifies for Medical Assistance reimbursement.
15. Screening: The use of quick, simple procedures to sort apparently well children from those who need more definitive study of possible physical or developmental problems.
16. Treatment: The use of medical care and services to prevent, correct or ameliorate disease or abnormalities detected by screening and diagnostic procedures.

#### C. Eligibility

1. All persons from birth through age twenty who are eligible for Medical Assistance are eligible for the EPSDT Program.
2. Eligibility for the EPSDT Program terminates when Medical Assistance eligibility terminates, regardless of the child's status in the EPSDT process.

#### D. Physician Screening Standards

A licensed physician must provide the following components in order for an examination to be reimbursed as a screening under the EPSDT Program.

1. Health History: A health and developmental history must be obtained from the child, the parent, and/or another responsible adult who is familiar with the child's health history and must include information on lead and tuberculosis exposure, nutrition intake, and seizure history.
2. Assessment of Physical Growth: The child's height and weight must be measured and compared with the ranges considered normal for children of that age. Head circumference measurements must be taken for children under three years of age.
3. Physical Examination: The following areas must be checked according to accepted medical procedures: pulse, respiration, blood pressure, head, eyes, ears, nose, mouth, pharynx, neck, chest, heart, lungs, abdomen, spine, genitals, extremities, joints, muscle tone, skin, and neurological examination.
4. Dental Inspection: The mouth must be examined for any obvious dental problems. A child who is three years of age or older must be referred to a dentist for preventive care if she/he has never been to a dentist or if it has been one year since the last dental appointment.
5. Vision:
  - a. Children under the age of three years:
    - (1) Must be checked for a history of:
      - (a) Maternal and/or neonatal infection.
      - (b) Family history of ocular abnormalities.
    - (2) Must be observed for:
      - (a) Pupils and light following reflex.
      - (b) Presence/absence of nystagmus.
      - (c) Muscle balance - examination for esotropia, exotropia, large phorias.
      - (d) External examination of eyes, including lids, conjunctiva and cornea.
      - (e) Parental concern regarding child's vision.
  - b. Children over the age of three years:
    - (1) Must be checked for all of the items contained in Section D.5.a.
    - (2) Must, in addition, be checked for visual acuity. A test such as the STYCAR, the Snellen E Cube, the Snellen E Chart, and the Snellen Alphabet Chart, or their equivalent, must be used.

6. Hearing:

- a. Children under the age of three years must be observed for:
  - (1) Retardation of language acquisition or history of such retardation.
  - (2) Failure to directionalize to sounds.
  - (3) History of repeated otitis media during early life.
  - (4) Parental concern regarding child's hearing.
- b. Children over the age of three years:
  - (1) Must be observed for all of the items contained in Section D.6.a. (1) through (4) above.
  - (2) Must receive a pure tone audiometric test or referral for pure tone audiometric testing if items (1) through (4) above indicate the need for audiometric testing.

7. Developmental Screening:

- a. For children ages birth through five years, the Denver Prescreening Developmental Questionnaire (PDQ) must be completed. All children who fail the PDQ must be screened further by use of the Denver Developmental Screening Test (DDST). If the screener does not provide the DDST, referral must be made to an agency that does provide it.
- b. For children ages six through twenty years, the provider must screen for the following areas according to his/her standard procedures: fine/gross motor development, speech, and socialization. Developmental questions must be included on the health history for this age group.

8. Sexual Development:

- a. Sexual development appropriate to the child's age must be checked for all children, with special emphasis given to children who have reached puberty.
- b. At the request of the parent/child, counseling on normal development, birth control and venereal disease, as well as appropriate prescriptions and testing, must be provided by the screener, or referral to appropriate resources must be made.
- c. The option to receive a pelvic examination with appropriate testing (GC, Pap Smear, other tests at provider's discretion) must be offered to all females who have reached puberty.

9. Nutritional Status:

- a. A child having any detectable nutritional deficiencies must receive nutritional counseling or must be referred for such counseling.

- b. When a child's history reveals that his/her diet regularly lacks two or more daily servings from one of the four basic food groups, the parent/child must receive nutritional counseling or must be referred for nutritional counseling even if there are no objective signs of poor nutrition.
10. Immunizations: The immunization status of all children must be checked. Needed immunizations must be offered and provided if requested. Immunizations must be administered according to the Recommended Schedule of Immunizations developed by the Minnesota Department of Health and approved by the Minnesota State Medical Association.
11. Laboratory Tests:
- a. Tuberculin Testing: Must be performed for all children once at fifteen months of age or at their first screening, if this screening occurs later than fifteen months. A child may receive additional tuberculin testing at later ages if his/her history indicates the possibility of exposure.
  - b. Lead Absorption Testing: Must be performed on all children whose history and physical findings indicate the possibility of exposure to undue levels of lead in the environment or atmosphere.
  - c. Urine Testing: All children over the age of two years must be tested at their first screening for the presence of glucose, ketones, protein and other abnormalities in the urine. Females (at or near the ages of four and ten) must be tested for bacteriuria.
  - d. Anemia Testing: All children must be tested for anemia by use of either a microhematocrit determination or a hemoglobin concentration. This test should be done near the ages of six months, one year, two years, four years, and fifteen years.
  - e. Sickel Cell Testing: Tests for sickle cell disease or trait must be offered to all children known to be at risk and must be provided if requested by the parent/child. Only one sickle cell test is needed. If sickle cell trait is found, parent/child must be referred for genetic counseling if they so desire.
  - f. Other Laboratory Tests: Tests for cervical cancer, venereal disease, pregnancy and parasites should be performed when indicated and charged as part of the screening examination.
12. Variation From Screening Procedures: If a provider wishes to substitute other procedures for those contained in Section D.1. through D.11., or wishes to omit any of the required procedures, written application must be made to the EPSDT Section in the Department. All such requests shall be reviewed by a Physician Advisory Committee and a decision on the request shall be made by the Committee, in writing within 30 days of the receipt of the request.

#### E. Nurse Screening Standards

The Department will recognize as screening providers all nurse-supervised EPS and EPSDT clinics which follow the screening standards and periodicity schedule devised by the Minnesota Department of Health. Screenings performed by these providers will be reimbursed under the EPSDT Program.

#### F. Periodicity Schedule

1. The Department will offer all children who have been screened the opportunity for re-screening at the following ages: six months, nine months, one year, eighteen months, two years, four years, and every three years thereafter. The Department will notify all eligible recipients of the availability of screening services at least once a year.
2. For physician-supervised EPSDT clinics, screening components must be provided according to the attached Physician EPSDT Periodicity Schedule.

#### G. Conditions of Screening Provider Participation in the EPSDT Program

1. All screening providers must complete the EPSDT billing form with one total charge submitted for the complete screening package.
  - (a) The parent/child must be provided with a copy of the billing form.
  - (b) Screening providers which are designated as EPSDT Equivalent Programs by the Department need not complete the billing form. In order to receive such a designation, a facility must screen children according to Minnesota Department of Health standards, must provide follow-up services to those children, and must be monitored by the Minnesota Department of Health. EPSDT Equivalent Programs may submit screening statistics in aggregate form.
2. All screening providers must complete a screening referral form, supplied by the Department, and provide this form to the parent/child in every instance when a child is referred for further diagnosis and treatment.
3. All screening providers must sign an EPSDT Provider Agreement whereby they agree to the provisions of Sections G.1. and G.2 above.
4. In order to qualify for Medical Assistance reimbursement, screening providers must follow all requirements for Medical Assistance Program participation as specified in DPW Rule 47.
5. All screening providers shall be reimbursed according to their usual and customary fee until six months after this rule is published. At that time, the Department will establish one maximum screening fee for physician supervised clinics and another maximum screening fee for nurse supervised clinics.

Each of these maximum fees shall be equal to the seventy-fifth percentile of all screening charges submitted by each group during that six month period. After the maximum fees are established, screening providers shall be reimbursed according to their usual and customary fee or the Department's maximum fee, whichever is lower. The maximum fee shall be updated yearly.

6. Health Maintenance Organizations which participate in the Medical Assistance Program must provide EPSDT services as part of their contract with the Department for their enrollees at no extra charge to the Department, and must complete the EPSDT billing form for each child screened.
7. Screening providers may, after notifying the Department, elect to provide one or more of the screening components by referral to other providers. In such cases, the screening provider must ensure that the child receives the components for which he/she was referred before the screening is billed.
8. Screening providers may provide an outreach component as part of the screening and may charge for the extra outreach service after they have submitted a budget to the Department which justifies the outreach charge.
9. The Department must provide:
  - a. Training on screening components to all providers who sign the EPSDT Provider Agreement and who request such training.
  - b. Assistance in obtaining the forms and materials needed in the screening process.
10. The parent/child who requests screening services has free choice of all local screening providers who have signed EPSDT Provider Agreements.

H. Conditions of Diagnosis and Treatment Provider Participation in the EPSDT Program

1. Any health care provider licensed under state law who has signed a Medical Assistance Provider Agreement is eligible to provide appropriate diagnostic and treatment services to a child who has been screened.
2. Diagnosis and treatment providers must bill according to regular Medical Assistance procedures as outlined in DPW Rule 47. In addition, providers who diagnose or treat a child who has been screened, pursuant to Sections D and E, above, must complete the billing invoice so as to indicate that this child is being diagnosed or treated as part of the EPSDT Program. The Department will make payments according to regular Medical Assistance procedures as specified in DPW Rule 47.
3. Diagnosis and treatment providers must follow all requirements for Medical Assistance Program participation as specified in DPW Rule 47.
4. The child or parent of the child who is referred for diagnosis and treatment as a result of a screening has free choice of all local diagnosis and treatment providers who are enrolled in the Medical Assistance Program.

I. Local Agency Responsibilities

1. Outreach

- a. The local agency must notify all applicants for programs which include Medical Assistance eligibility about the EPSDT Program if the applicant or any of his/her children are under 21 years of age.
  - (1) The notification must include an oral and written explanation of the program.

- (2) The notification must take place within thirty days of the date of application.
  - (3) The local agency must obtain a definite response in writing from each applicant for each child in the family within thirty days of the date of notification.
- b. The Department will notify, in writing, parents, whose children have been screened, of their eligibility for re-screening at periodic intervals. The Department will also re-notify parents whose children have never been screened of their continuing eligibility for an initial screening. The local agency will receive the response and must handle the response per Section I.2. through I.6.
2. Response to a Screening Request
    - a. The local agency must provide each parent/child who accepts EPSDT services with a written list of screening providers in the area.
    - b. The local agency must, in writing, offer transportation to each parent/child who accepts EPSDT services and must provide transportation to the screening site to each child who requests such transportation or for whom such transportation is requested.
    - c. The local agency must, in writing, offer assistance in making the screening appointment to each parent/child who accepts EPSDT services and must provide such assistance to each child who requests it or for whom such assistance is requested.
  3. Follow-up After a Screening Request
    - a. The local agency must make one additional offer of assistance to each parent/child who accepted screening services and was not screened within sixty days.
    - b. This offer of assistance may be done by a home visit, telephone call, or letter.
  4. Follow-up for Diagnosis and Treatment
    - a. The Department, through the screening provider, will notify each parent/child who is referred for diagnosis and treatment, in writing, that the local agency will provide assistance, including transportation, in obtaining the needed diagnosis and treatment.
      - (1) If requested, the local agency must provide names and addresses of providers of the needed diagnostic and treatment services.
      - (2) If requested, the local agency must provide transportation to the diagnostic and treatment site.
    - b. The local agency must make one additional contact, within sixty days of the screening, with each parent/child who was referred for diagnosis and treatment in order to ascertain if needed diagnosis and treatment has been obtained.

- (1) This contact must be made by either a home visit or telephone call.
  - (2) If diagnosis and treatment has not been obtained, the local agency must offer assistance, including transportation and/or a list of diagnosis and treatment providers, and must provide such assistance if requested.
  - (3) If the local agency has previously been informed that the child has received the needed diagnosis and treatment, this contact need not be made.
5. Local agencies must provide EPSDT notification and follow-up services to non-English speaking, illiterate and disabled applicants and recipients by a mode of communication which will enable them to fully understand and utilize the program.
6. Children in Foster Care Eligible for Medical Assistance
- a. The local agency must accept EPSDT services for all foster children who are dependent/neglected state wards and who are eligible for Medical Assistance, except when such acceptance would not be in the best interests of the child.
  - b. The local agency must discuss the availability of EPSDT services with the parents of all foster children who are eligible for Medical Assistance and who are under the legal custody of the local agency or whose parents have entered into a voluntary placement agreement with the local agency except when the natural parents are not available for such a discussion. If the parent is not consulted, the local agency must decide whether or not to accept EPSDT services for the child and must document the reasons for such a decision. The local agency must assist the parent in deciding whether to accept EPSDT services.
  - c. The local agency must provide the case management services defined in Section I.2. through I.4. above to all foster children for whom EPSDT services are accepted.
  - d. The Department will notify the local agency in writing when foster children who are eligible for Medical Assistance are eligible for periodic re-screenings. The local agency must handle these notifications as specified in Section 6.a. and 6.b. above.
7. Documentation
- Local agencies must document the completion of requirements in Section I.1. through I.4. above on forms prescribed by the Department.
8. Inter-Agency Coordination
- Local agencies must cooperate, whenever possible, with other agencies which provide health services to children so that duplication of services is avoided. Examples of such agencies are local nursing services, local Head Start agencies, and local school districts.



9. Reimbursement for EPSDT Staff

- a. Local agencies which intend to claim Title XIX federal financial participation at seventy-five percent for salaries and expenses of EPSDT administrative support staff must obtain written authorization from the Department by submittal of a plan that meets state and federal program requirements.
- b. Local agencies which intend to claim Title XIX federal financial participation at seventy-five percent for contracts with outside agencies to perform EPSDT administrative support services must obtain written authorization from the Department by submittal of a plan that meets state and federal program requirements.

# EPSDT PERIODICITY CHART

INTERVALS	MONTHS						YEARS					
	0-5	6-7	8-11	12-15	16-19	20-35	3-4	5-7	8-10	11-13	14-17	18-21
Health History	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Assessment of Physical Growth:												
•Height	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
•Weight	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
•OFC	X	X	X	X	X	X						
Physical Examination	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dental							Direct referral to a dentist					
Vision	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hearing	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Developmental:												
•PDQ/DDST	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
•Interview/History Only								X	X	X	X	X
Sexual Development	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nutrition Review	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Immunization Review	X	X	X	X	X	←	←	X	←	←	X	←
Tuberculin				X	←	←	←	←	←	←	←	←
Lead Absorption Testing			IF HISTORY INDICATES									
Urine						X	←	←	←	←	←	←
Bacteriuria (females)							X	←	X	←	←	←
Anemia Testing		X	←	X	←	X	X	←	←	←	X	←
Sickle Cell	AT PARENT'S OR CHILD'S REQUEST											
Other Lab Tests	AS INDICATED											

← Procedure to be completed if not done at the previous visit, or on the first visit.

## RECOMMENDED IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE

### PRIMARY IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE FOR NORMAL INFANTS AND CHILDREN STARTING IN INFANCY

Approximate Age	Immunization
2 months	DTP, TOPV
4 months	DTP, TOPV
6 months	DTP
15 months	MEASLES, MUMPS, RUBELLA
18 months	DTP, TOPV
4-6 years (before or at school entrance)	DTP, TOPV
14-16 years (or 10 years after above)	Td — thereafter every 10 years

#### ABBREVIATIONS:

DTP — Diphtheria & Tetanus Toxoid combined with Pertussis Vaccine

Td — Tetanus & Diphtheria Toxoid (Adult type)

TOPV — Trivalent Oral Polio Vaccine

#### SPECIAL NOTES:

1. If the recommended dose of DTP or TOPV is missed at 18 months, the booster dose recommended at school entrance is adequate protection for pre-school children.
2. If the primary series of either DTP or TOPV is interrupted for more than the scheduled period of time, it is not necessary to restart either series (see reverse side).
3. Always observe the minimal interval between doses. A 2 month interval is recommended for TOPV, but if only DTP (Td) is needed, the interval may be shortened to 1 month (see reverse side).
4. Td is the toxoid recommended for persons 7 years of age and older. DTP is recommended for persons up to 7 years of age.
5. It is generally recommended that live virus vaccines be given at least 1 month apart, however, more than one live virus vaccine may be given simultaneously if given at separate sites of injection. Therefore, measles, mumps, rubella, and polio can all be administered at the same time if the need is present.
6. Children who 1) were given inactivated measles virus vaccine, 2) were immunized with measles vaccine prior to 12 months of age, or 3) received live virus measles vaccine within 3 months of a killed virus measles vaccine should receive live, further attenuated measles virus vaccine as soon as possible.
7. Report all uncommon vaccine reactions and suspect cases of immunizable diseases to the local health agency or directly to the Minnesota Department of Health, Immunization Unit, 717 S.E. Delaware Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55440, phone 612/296-5237.

IF THE ABOVE SCHEDULE IS NOT ADHERED TO  
SEE REVERSE SIDE

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## SPACING OF IMMUNIZATIONS IF NOT STARTED IN INFANCY

COUNT ALL PREVIOUS DTP/Td DOSES, REGARDLESS OF HOW FAR BACK THEY GO, THEN REFER TO THE APPROPRIATE "PAST HISTORY" SECTION FOUND BELOW. GIVE FURTHER DTP/Td IMMUNIZATIONS IF INDICATED. DO THE SAME WITH TOPV.

### FOR CHILDREN AGES 1 THROUGH 6

PRIORITY SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF MMR. It can be given simultaneously with other vaccines or, if not, no sooner than one month after the administration of another live virus vaccine. MMR should not be given sooner than 15 months of age.

PAST HISTORY: NUMBER OF DOSES	SUGGESTED SCHEDULE OF DTP AND TOPV IMMUNIZATIONS				
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
None	DTP, TOPV ①	DTP, TOPV: No sooner than 2 months after 1st dose(s) ①	DTP: 2 months after 2nd dose ① TOPV: 6-12 months after 2nd dose	DTP: 12 months after 3rd dose ② TOPV: No sooner than 24 months after 3rd dose ③	DTP: No sooner than 2 years after 4th dose, or at school entrance ③
One					
Two					
Three					
Four					

① An interval of 2 months should be observed between TOPV doses; if only a DTP dose is needed, the interval may be shortened to 1 month.

② Optimum spacing between 3rd and 4th dose is 12 months but this can be shortened to 6 months for children who have fallen behind.

③ Optimum time to give 5th DTP or 4th TOPV is just prior to school entrance.

### FOR CHILDREN AGES 7 AND ABOVE

PRIORITY SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF MMR. It can be given simultaneously with other vaccines or, if not, no sooner than one month after the administration of another live virus vaccine. Rubella vaccine should not be given to women of child-bearing age, unless upon the advice of a physician.

Routine polio immunization is NOT recommended for persons age 18 and older.

PAST HISTORY: NUMBER OF DOSES	SUGGESTED SCHEDULE OF Td AND TOPV IMMUNIZATIONS				
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Booster
None	Td, TOPV ①	Td, TOPV: No sooner than 2 months after 1st dose ①	Td, TOPV: No sooner than 6 months after 2nd dose	Td: Refer to footnote ②	Td booster every 10 years
One					
Two					
Three					
Four (or more)					

① An interval of 2 months should be maintained between TOPV doses; if Td is needed but TOPV is not, the interval may be shortened to one month.

② (a) Give a 4th dose of Td if 3rd DTP was given before the sixth birthday. Give no sooner than 6 months following the 3rd dose.

(b) If 3rd dose of DTP/Td was given after the sixth birthday, refer to "Booster" section.

**EPSDT**  
**Provider Agreement**

The State of Minnesota, Department of Public Welfare, hereby enters into agreement with

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Provider)

to participate in the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Program for eligible Medical Assistance recipients between the ages of 0 to 21 subject to the following stipulations, terms, and conditions:

The screening provider agrees to:

1. Provide all screening components, according to the attached standards, for each recipient requesting EPSDT services.
2. Report screening findings on the EPSDT Invoice, DPW-1973.
3. Use the Referral for Diagnosis and Treatment form, DPW-1998, when referring a recipient for additional evaluation or treatment.

The Department of Public Welfare agrees to:

1. Arrange for training and consultation on any of the screening components as requested by the provider.
2. Provide training and consultation on billing and reporting procedures as requested by the provider.

*NOTE: This agreement is executed in addition to the Title XIX Agreement and includes all conditions of that Agreement.*

_____ Name of Provider	Minnesota Department of Public Welfare
By: _____	By: _____
Title: _____	EPSDT Program Representative
Date: _____	Date: _____

**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE**



**PROVIDER AGREEMENT**

The State of Minnesota, Department of Public Welfare, hereby enters into agreement with

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(Provider)  
to participate in the Minnesota Medical Assistance Program (Title XIX) for services provided to eligible recipients subject to the following stipulations, terms, and conditions:

1. To keep such records as are necessary fully to disclose the extent of the services provided to individuals receiving assistance under the State plan.
2. To furnish the State agency with such information, regarding any payments claimed by such person or institution for providing services under the State plan, as the State agency may from time to time request.
3. The provider agrees to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and any amendments thereto, and the rules and regulations thereunder.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Provider

Minnesota Department of Public Welfare

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Assistance Section

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_