

EPSDT Specialized Services Guide for Providers

Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment Services (EPSDT), Medicaid’s comprehensive and preventive child health program for individuals under the age of 21, includes periodic screening, vision, dental and hearing services. In addition, Medicaid is required to provide any medically necessary health care to correct and ameliorate physical and mental conditions.

EPSDT Specialized Services are medically necessary treatment services for children that are not routinely covered through Virginia Medicaid. The six most commonly requested EPSDT Specialized Services are listed below. This list is not exclusive. To access EPSDT Specialized Services, the medical provider sends an order to an enrolled service provider chosen by the family. The service provider then obtains a service authorization if necessary. The table below identifies who to contact depending on the type of service and the child’s benefit.

Determination of whether a service is medically necessary is made on a case-by-case basis, taking into account a particular child’s needs. Please note that EPSDT cannot cover experimental treatment or treatment which is not determined to be medically necessary.

For questions regarding these or other available specialized services please call (804)786-6134 or email epsdt@dmas.virginia.gov. Additional EPSDT information can also be found under the Maternal and Child Health link on the DMAS website at www.dmas.virginia.gov.

Service	Children enrolled in Medicaid/ FAMIS Plus MCOs*	Children enrolled in Medicaid/FAMIS Plus Fee-For-Service (FFS) (Includes FAMIS FFS)	Coverage for children enrolled in FAMIS MCOs*
Assistive Technology	Contact MCO *	Contact EPSDT Specialized Services for provider list (804)786-6134	Not covered
Hearing Aids	Contact MCO *	Search for audiologists by clicking on the Search for Providers link under the Quick Links heading on the DMAS website www.virginiamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov	Yes, covered through MCO*
Private Duty Nursing	Contact MCO *	Search for home health agencies by clicking on the Search for Providers link under the Quick Links heading on the DMAS website www.virginiamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov	Yes, covered through MCO*
Behavioral Therapy (including ABA)	Contact Magellan (800)424-4046		Not covered
Personal Care	Search for personal care agencies by clicking on the Search for Providers link under the Quick Links heading on the DMAS website www.virginiamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov		Not covered
Medical Formula & Nutritional Supplements	Search for DME agencies by clicking on the Search for Providers link under the Quick Links heading on the DMAS website www.virginiamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov		Yes, covered through DMAS DME providers

*Contact information for Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) can be found at www.virginiamanagedcare.com or by calling the **Medicaid Managed Care Help Line at 1-800-643-2273**.