

PROVIDER Bulletin



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This Provider Bulletin applies to the lines of business and provider types checked below:

- PHP (Medicare)
 Primary Care Physicians
 Specialists
 PHC (Medicaid)
 Ancillary
 Hospitals

Medicare Annual Wellness Visits – UPDATE

PHP’s Participating Primary Care Providers are encouraged to schedule and perform the annual wellness visit with their assigned Plan Members during first six months of every calendar year.

PHP feels this will be beneficial to Plan Members as earlier assessment of chronic conditions will result in better healthcare outcomes.

PHP reimburses for an Annual Wellness Visit at a higher rate than a routine visit when properly billed using CPT Code G0439. ***Due to this operational change, if an annual wellness visit was performed during July – December 2015, PHP will reimburse for a new wellness visit during January – June 2016.***

Elements of an Annual Wellness Visit:

Health Risk Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Self-assessment of health status ▪ Psychosocial risks ▪ Behavioral risks ▪ ADLs ▪ Instrumental ADLs
Medical/Family History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk Adjusted Chronic Condition(s) ▪ Medical and Surgical Hx ▪ Medications and supplements ▪ Family Hx
Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Height, weight ▪ Vitals ▪ BMI ▪ Physical Exam/other routine measurements
List of Current Providers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ List of specialists ▪ List of suppliers (DME, PT, Home Health)
Screen for Cognitive Impairment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Assess cognition with direct observation, etc.
Written Preventative Screening Schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Immunizations ▪ Age-appropriate preventative Services (e.g. Colo-Rectal Cancer Screen and etc.)
Establish Risk Factor List and Interventions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ List of medical and mental health conditions with a list of treatment options and their associated risks and benefits
Personalized Health Advice/Referral	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Referrals for: weight loss, exercise, tobacco cessation, fall prevention, nutrition

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