



**To:** IEHP- Global Quality P4P IPA & PCP Participants  
**From:** IEHP – Quality Programs  
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**Subject:** **UPDATED: COVID-19 Impact to 2020 Well-Child Visit (Preventive Services)**

Well-Child visits are an important way to monitor children’s growth and development and ensure that children are up to date with their vaccinations. Considering COVID-19, the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) has developed guidance on the provision of pediatric well-care services via telehealth during the pandemic. This guidance, most recently updated on May 8, 2020, recommends that **well-child visits should occur in person whenever possible.**

AAP notes that well visits for children **may be initiated through telehealth**, recognizing that some elements of the well exam should be completed in person. Components of well-child visits that may be offered **through telehealth include:**

- Visual Physical Exam
- Physical Development
- Health Education/Anticipatory Guidance
- Nutrition Counseling
- BMI Assessment
- ACEs Screening
- Health History
- Mental Development
- Age-appropriate SHA/IHEBA
- Exercise Counseling
- Developmental Screening

IEHP encourages Providers that have successfully implemented telehealth to provide appropriate elements of the well-child exam via telehealth, **followed by a timely in-person visit.**

IEHP recommends that **timely in-person visits be conducted with each patient as soon as possible**, and no later than by the end of the calendar year, to support existing quality incentive programs, including IEHP’s Global Quality P4P and the DHCS Value Based Payments program.

**The in-person components to complete a well-child visit** offered initially through telehealth should include, at a minimum:

- Comprehensive Physical Exam
- Office Testing: Laboratory testing, hearing, vision, and oral health screening
- Fluoride Varnish
- Immunization

The table below provides coding and billing guidance to support Providers' efforts to maximize current quality improvement incentive programs including: Global Quality P4P, DHCS Value Based Payment Program, and the DHCS Proposition 56 payments.

### Coding Guidelines for Well-Child Visits offered through both Telehealth and In-Person

Components	Billing		Modifier	Place of Service	ICD-10 Codes	Programs			
	Instruction	CPT Code							
<b>Offered during Telehealth visit (ages 2 and older)</b>									
<i>MUST note in patient medical record follow up plan for in-person physical exam</i>									
Visual Physical Exam	<b>Must bill with POS = 11 or 02 OR Modifier = 95</b>	<b>99381- 99385, 99391- 99395</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>11 or 02</b>	code as appropriate	WCV component			
Health History					code as appropriate	WCV component			
Physical Development					code as appropriate	WCV component			
Mental Development					code as appropriate	WCV component			
Health Education / Anticipatory Guidance					code as appropriate	WCV component			
Age-appropriate IHEBA/SHA Assessment					code as appropriate	WCV component			
Nutrition Counseling (WCC)					Z71.3	Global Quality P4P			
Exercise Counseling (WCC)					Z71.82	Global Quality P4P			
BMI Assessment (WCC)					Z68.53; Z68.54	Global Quality P4P			
ACEs Screening					code as appropriate	DHCS Prop 56			
Developmental Screening (up to age 30 months)	<b>96110</b>	code as appropriate	DHCS Prop 56						
<b>Offered during timely follow up in-person physical exam</b>									
Physical Exam to complete WCV - <u>must be completed by Dec 31, 2020</u> in order to complete WCV requirements for quality program payments	<b>Must bill with POS = 11 AND No Modifier</b>	<b>99381- 99385, 99391- 99395</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Z00.00; Z00.01; Z00.121; Z00.129; Z00.8</b>	Global Quality P4P - Well-Child Measures; DHCS Value Based Payments Program			
Immunizations					<b>Report all antigens administered</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11</b>	code as appropriate	Global Quality P4P; DHCS Value Based Payments Program
Office Testing: Laboratory testing, hearing, vision, and oral health screening					<b>Report all completed tests</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11</b>	code as appropriate	Supports transparency of services rendered
Dental Fluoride Varnish					<b>99188</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11</b>	code as appropriate	DHCS Value Based Payments Program

IEHP continues to encourage Providers to adhere to the latest CDC guidelines for patient care during the COVID-19 pandemic and stay connected on the latest updates posted on IEHP's website: [www.iehp.org](http://www.iehp.org) > For Providers > Plan Updates > Coronavirus (COVID-19) Advisory <https://www.iehp.org/en/providers/plan-updates?target=coronavirus-advisory>.

Thank you for your continued partnership in providing quality healthcare to IEHP's Members.

As a reminder, all communications sent by IEHP can also be found on our Provider portal at: [www.iehp.org](http://www.iehp.org) > For Providers > Plan Updates > Correspondence.

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