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Attention: South Dakota Medicaid Providers

From: South Dakota Medicaid

RE: Developmental Screening

Dear Providers,

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommends developmental and behavioral screening for all children during regular well-child visits at these ages:

- 9 Months
- 18 Months
- 30 months

In addition, the AAP recommends that all children be screened specifically for autism spectrum disorder during regular well-child visits at these ages:

- 18 Months
- 24 Months

South Dakota Medicaid wants to remind providers that developmental screenings are covered services in addition to well-child visits and can be billed using CPT Code 96110. We encourage providers to remind parents to bring their children in for well-child visits and developmental screenings. Additional information on covered services can be found in the <u>provider billing manual</u>.

For more information on recommended well-child visits, including educational materials, please visit our <u>recipient well-child page</u> or the CDC's <u>Act Early page</u> for helpful tools to track childhood development.

Sincerely,

South Dakota Medicaid