



Well-Child Visits in the First 15 Months of Life – W15

Intent: Ensure children from birth through 15 months old who had six or more comprehensive well-care visits prior to turning 15 months.

Age: 0-15 months

Product Lines: Commercial, Medicaid

Timeframe: Refer to the minimum compliance requirements on the right

At a minimum for compliance, a well-child visit in the first 15 months of life requires the following components:

- Health history
- Physical development
- Mental development
- Physical exam
- Anticipatory guidance/health education
 - Acceptable time frame includes visit in 1, 2, 4, 6, 9, 12, and 15 months

How to submit compliant data:

Encounters/claims, supplemental data and medical records

Tips and Recommendations

- Make every visit count. Preventive services may be rendered on sick visits as well if coded correctly.
- Use standardized templates that allow for check boxes for standard counseling activities.
- A notation of anticipatory guidance alone does not meet criteria.
- Use correct diagnosis and procedure codes.