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SPECIAL NOTICE



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Tooth decay is one of many children’s most prevalent chronic diseases.

Federal law governing the provision of dental services to children under Medicaid’s Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment program requires a [dental periodicity schedule](#) to provide dental services. Its schedule must recommend treatment intervals that meet reasonable standards of the dental practice, as determined by the State after consultation with recognized dental organizations involved in child health care, and at such other intervals that are medically necessary to resolve a suspected illness or condition. The Dental Periodicity Schedule linked below reflects the ages and intervals at which a child should receive specified dental services. The periodicity schedule does not indicate when a referral should occur.

Note: Although the Medi-Cal Dental program supports the intervals recommended in the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) Periodicity Schedule, please be aware that the Medi-Cal Dental program Manual of Criteria governs the policy for which procedures are benefits and the frequency at which they are allowed.

For more information, please refer to the AAPD’s recommendation on [Periodicity of Examination, Preventive Dental Services, Anticipatory Guidance/Counseling, and Oral Treatment for Infants, Children, and Adolescents](#), or call the Telephone Service Center at (800) 423-0507.

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