

Healthy Kids and Early Learning Success: Moving Preventive Screening Policies to Practice FTF Early Childhood Summit, August 29, 2017

Oral Health Screening

Key Points

- Oral health screening drives children to a dentist
- Screening services should be provided by an oral health professional
- Basic Screening Survey is the recommended oral health screening tool
- Screenings may include an application of fluoride varnish
- Providing parents/caregivers anticipatory guidance is a must to inspire a change in behaviors at home to promote positive oral hygiene practices
- Referring families to a dentist for their child is a must, when they aren't already linked to one

Resources

<http://www.firstthingsfirst.org/grants/strategy-toolkit/health>

<http://www.azdhs.gov/prevention/womens-childrens-health/oral-health/index.php>

<http://www.aapd.org/policies/>

Developmental Screening

Key Points

- Recommended tools include the ASQ-3 or PEDS
 - ASQ:SE2, M-CHAT are supplemental tools that can be utilized in addition
- Frequency is indicated by the tool, however the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends an interval schedule of 9-18-30 (or 24 mos as an alternative)
- Developmental screenings locations
 - Pediatric settings
 - Community based
- Referral pathways are critical to ensure that families whose children present with developmental concerns are linked to the right resources within the community

Resources

<http://www.firstthingsfirst.org/grants/strategy-toolkit/health>

<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/118/1/405>

<https://www.aap.org/en-us/advocacy-and-policy/aap-health-initiatives/Screening/Pages/Screening-Tools.aspx>

<https://www.aap.org/en-us/about-the-aap/Committees-Councils-Sections/Council-on-Children-with-Disabilities/Pages/Description-and-Policy.aspx>

Hearing Screening

Key Points

- Hearing loss is the most common condition identified at birth - Hearing loss doubles by school age
 - Early Hearing Detection & Intervention (EHDI)-1-3-6
 - 10% of babies who fail inpatient (IP) newborn hearing screen will have permanent loss
 - 30-60% of those failing IP and outpatient (OP) screening will have permanent loss
- Share hearing screening results performed outside of the primary care setting with the medical home, pediatrician, PCP and ensure results from screening and evaluation performed by the PCP or specialist are shared with the early childhood program

Resources

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www.aznewborn.com
www.infanthearing.org
www.jcih.org

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:

<https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/hearingloss/recommendations.html>

- American Academy of Pediatrics
- American Academy of Audiology
- US Preventative Services Task Force
- Joint Committee on Infant Hearing

Vision Screening

Key Points

- 80% of learning is through a child's visual system
- Children often don't know they have a vision problem; they think everyone sees the way they do
- Vision screening is required in EPSDT protocol during well-child visits and is required in Head Start performance standards
- Vision screening is voluntary in schools (except for Child Find and special education)
- Vision health pathway includes screening, comprehensive eye exam, diagnosis and treatment
- Medicaid covers free eye exam and glasses
- ACA insurance plans must offer coverage for children's vision services, but co-pays and deductibles may be a challenge for families

Resources

<http://www.azdhs.gov/documents/prevention/womens-childrens-health/reports-fact-sheets/hearing-vision/VisionScreening2010.pdf>
https://nationalcenter.preventblindness.org/sites/default/files/national/documents/Key_vision_questions_to_ask_n_year_1_10.31.16_0.pdf
<http://www.stanfordchildrens.org/en/topic/default?id=age-appropriate-vision-milestones-90-P02305>
https://www.preventblindness.org/sites/default/files/national/documents/Children%27s_Vision_Chartbook.pdf
<https://nationalcenter.preventblindness.org/>