



**MARYLAND HEALTHCHOICE
2021 CHILDHOOD SUMMER WELLNESS VISIT INCENTIVE PROGRAM
FOR PARTICIPATING PRIMARY CARE PRACTITIONERS**

MedStar Family Choice will incentivize participating primary care practitioners with a \$20.00 bonus for each eligible well child visit for any MedStar Family Choice Maryland HealthChoice member, providing that the visit occurs between the members 3rd and 21st birthday for dates of service from 6/1/21 thru 9/30/21.

There will be two bonus payout periods based on when the claims for the qualifying time period are submitted and paid. Bonus payments will be paid out separately from the normal remittance.

Payout #1: 12/17/2021 bonus payout for claims paid by 10/29/2021

Payout #2: 6/17/2022 bonus payout for claims paid by 4/29/2022

For purposes of this Incentive Program and bonus payout, an eligible visit is defined as:

- A wellness exam code of 99382 or 99392 for ages 3 and 4
- A wellness exam code of 99383 or 99393 for ages 5 through 11
- A wellness exam code of 99384 or 99394 for ages 12 through 17
- A wellness exam code of 99385 or 99395 for ages 18 through 20

Additional guidelines of the Incentive Program are below:

- FQHCs in MD will need to bill the wellness exam code on the claim in addition to the trigger code for the claim to be considered for the bonus.
- The wellness exam must follow guidelines established by HEDIS® and EPSDT.
- The member must be eligible for coverage on the date of service.
- The claim must be submitted to MFC within the normal timely filing guidelines.
- If the member has other primary insurance coverage, the claim must be submitted to MFC as secondary within the same bonus timeframe as those submitted with only MFC coverage.

There is no limit to the number of eligible visits that will be considered for the bonus for each practitioner/office as the intent of this program is to incentivize offices to see as many children as possible for their age appropriate wellness exams between the end of this school year and the beginning of the next school year. Any required age appropriate immunizations, screenings, or diagnostic testing should also be performed during wellness the visit.

Please Note:

- This communication applies to 2021 dates of service only.
- Telemedicine visits are not eligible for the Summer Wellness Visit Incentive Program.
- Wellness exams billed under E&M codes will not be eligible for the bonus.
- After receiving your 2021 Summer Wellness Incentive Program bonus check, please contact Provider Relations for the list of claims used to calculate the bonus payout.