DESCRIPTIONS OF LIMITATION AS TO AMOUNT, DURATION AND SCOPE OF MEDICAL CARE AND SERVICES PROVIDED

4b. Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) of Individuals Under the Age of Twenty-one (21): Limited to Federal Requirements.

EPSDT Screenings:

The Division of Medicaid covers early and periodic screening and diagnosis of Medicaid-eligible beneficiaries under age twenty-one (21) to ascertain physical, mental, psychosocial and/or behavioral health conditions and provides treatment to correct or ameliorate physical, mental, psychosocial and/or behavioral health conditions found in accordance with Sections 1902(a)(43), 1905(a)(4)(B), and 1905(r) of the Social Security Act. The Division of Medicaid has established procedures to:

- 1. Inform all eligible individuals, or their families, of the EPSDT program,
- 2. Provide or arrange for requested screening services including necessary transportation and scheduling assistance, and
- 3. Arrange for appropriate treatment of health problems found as a result of a screening.

EPSDT screenings must be provided by currently enrolled Mississippi Medicaid providers who have signed an EPSDT specific provider agreement and must adhere to the periodicity schedule of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Bright Futures. EPSDT screening providers include, but are not limited to:

- 1. The Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH),
- 2. Public schools and/or public school districts certified by the Mississippi Department of Education,
- 3. Physicians,
- 4. Physician Assistants,
- 5. Nurse Practitioners,
- 6. Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC),
- 7. Rural Health Clinics (RHC), and
- 8. Comprehensive health clinics.

EPSDT screening providers must refer beneficiaries under the age of twenty-one (21) to other Mississippi Medicaid enrolled licensed practitioners for services necessary to correct or ameliorate physical, mental, psychosocial and/or behavioral health conditions discovered by the screening services, whether or not such services are covered under the State plan.

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METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES – OTHER TYPES OF CARE

Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) of Individuals Under the Age of Twenty-one (21): Limited to Federal Requirements.

(a) EPSDT Screenings -

Except as otherwise noted in the plan, state developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of EPSDT screenings. All rates are published on the agency's website at www.medicaid.ms.gov/providers/fee-schedules-and-rates/#.

- (1) EPSDT screening fee(s) will be reimbursed using the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes based on Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) methodology for determining Medicare preventive medicine service fees and applying the state law of 90% in accordance with nationally recognized evidence-based principles of preventive health care services periodicity schedule as set forth by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Bright Futures. Fees are updated July 1 of each year and reimbursed at ninety percent (90%) of the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule in effect on January 1 of each year. These reimbursement rates will be paid only to Mississippi Medicaid enrolled EPSDT providers. Age appropriate laboratory testing fees are reimbursed according to applicable state plan reimbursement methodologies.
- (2) Interperiodic visits are provided for other medically necessary health care, screens, diagnosis, treatment and/or other measures to correct or ameliorate physical, mental, psychosocial and/or behavioral health conditions. Such services are covered whether or not they are included elsewhere in the State Plan provided they are described in Section 1905(a) of the Social Security Act. These services will be reimbursed using the CPT codes updated July 1 of each year and are reimbursed at ninety percent (90%) of the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule in effect on January 1 of each year.

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