



Initial Preventive Physical Examination (IPPE)

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Agenda

- Initial Preventive Physical Examination (IPPE) aka “Welcome to Medicare”
- Documentation Requirements
- CMS Resources

Helpful Acronyms

ACRONYM	DESCRIPTION
ABN	Advanced Beneficiary Notice
ACP	Advance Care Planning
AWV	Annual Wellness Visit
CERT	Comprehensive Error Rate Testing
CR	Change Request
CMS	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
E/M	Evaluation and Management
IPPE	Initial Preventive Physical Examination
NPP	Non-Physician Practitioner
PPPS	Personalized Prevention Plan Services

Objective

- To understand
 - Proper guidelines, timeframes and coding of IPPE service
- Refer to additional resources



Initial Preventive Physical Exam (IPPE)

Coverage and Coding Guidelines

IPPE

- Known as "Welcome to Medicare Preventive Visit"
- Promotes good health and disease prevention and detection

IPPE Coverage

- Covered for newly enrolled beneficiaries
 - Within 12 months of first Medicare Part B effective date
 - Re-enrolled beneficiaries not eligible
 - One-time benefit
 - Deductible and coinsurance waived
- Must be performed by physician or practitioner as defined in section 1861 of SSA
- Must complete all 7 components of IPPE

Who May Perform the IPPE

- A physician
 - Doctor of medicine or osteopathy
- Qualified non-physician practitioner
 - Physician assistant
 - Nurse practitioner
 - Certified clinical nurse specialist

Acquire Beneficiary Information

1. Review beneficiary's medical and social history

- Medical/surgical history
- Family history
- Diet
- Current medications and supplements
- History of alcohol, tobacco, and illicit drug use
- Physical activities

2. Review beneficiary's potential risk factors for depression and other mood disorders

- Use any appropriate screening instrument recognized by national professional medical organizations to obtain current or past experience with depression or other mood disorders

Acquire Beneficiary Information ²

3. Review beneficiary's functional ability and level of safety

- **Review at minimum:**
 - Hearing impairment
 - Activities of daily living
 - Fall risk
 - Home safety

Begin Examination and Discussion

4. Exam

- Height, weight, body mass index, and blood pressure
- Visual acuity screen
- Other factors deemed appropriate based on beneficiary's medical and social history and current clinical standards

5. End-of-life planning, if agreed by beneficiary

- Beneficiary's ability to prepare an advance directive in case injury or illness causes beneficiary unable to make health care decisions; and
- Whether or not you are willing to follow beneficiary's wishes as expressed in advance directive

Counsel Beneficiary

6. Educate, counsel, and refer based on previous five components

- Based on results of review and evaluation services in previous five components, provide education counseling, and referral as appropriate

7. Educate, counsel, and refer for other preventive services

- Includes brief written plan, such as checklist, for beneficiary to obtain:
 - Screening electrocardiogram (EKG/ECG), if appropriate
 - Other separately covered Medicare Part B screenings and preventive services as, applicable

IPPE Coding

HCPCS	Billing Code Descriptors
G0402	IPPE; face-to-face visit Limited to new beneficiary during first 12 months of Medicare enrollment
G0403	EKG – interpretation and report Performed as screening for IPPE with interpretation and report
G0404	EKG; tracing only Performed as screening for IPPE, without interpretation and report
G0405	EKG; interpretation and report only Performed as screening for initial IPPE

Screening EKG

- Referral from provider can come from IPPE
- Screening EKG includes:
 - Routine electrocardiogram with 12 leads
 - Review of EKG report and interpretation by physician
- No specific diagnosis code required
- Subject to deductible and coinsurance

Evaluation and Management (E/M) During Same Visit

- E/M services must be medically necessary and separately identifiable
 - Use CPT 99201 – 99215 (append modifier 25, if appropriate)
 - Do not include AWW components when coding E/M portion of history or physical exam
 - If additional tests or services are performed during same visit, deductible and/or coinsurance may apply

Bill covered portion using E/M

CPT 99201 - 99215

Bill IPPE using appropriate G code

HCPCS G0402

Place of Service

- Office
- Inpatient Hospital
- Outpatient Hospital
- Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF)
- Critical Access Hospitals (CAH)
- Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)

Prepare for IPPE/AWV Visit

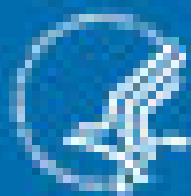
- Suggested information needed for visit

IPPE, AWV	Medical records, including immunization records
IPPE, AWV	Family health history, in as much detail as possible
IPPE, AWV	Full list of medications and supplements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Include calcium and vitamins – how often and how much of each is taken
AWV	Full list of current providers and suppliers involved in providing care

Preventive Services Checklist

Are You Up-To-Date on Your Preventive Services?

Medicare covers a full range of preventive services to help keep you healthy and help find problems early, when treatment is most effective. Ask your doctor which of these services is right for you.



✓	Preventive service	Date	Notes
	One-time "Welcome to Medicare" Preventive Visit—within the first 12 months you have Medicare Part B medical insurance		
	Early "Wellness" Visit—get this visit 12 months after your "Welcome to Medicare" preventive visit or 12 months after your Part B effective date		
	Alcohol Use: Assessment, Counseling		
	Blood Glucose Screening and Counseling		
	Bone Mass Measurement (Bone Density Test)		
	Cancer-related Topics (Behavioral Therapy)		
	Cancer-related Screenings: Cervical, Breast, High-Risk		
	Colon and Rectum Screenings		
	Depression Screening		
	Fall-prevention Screening		

<https://www.medicare.gov/Pubs/pdf/11420.pdf>

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Additional Information

Advance Care Planning (ACP)

- Optional element of AWW
- Voluntary – no official form
 - **99497** ~ Advance care planning includes explanation/discussion; face-to-face with patient and/or family; first 30 mins
 - **99498** ~ each additional 30 mins
- Not replacing living will/advance directive
- All specialties may provide
 - No frequency or POS limit

Advance Care Planning (ACP) ²

- If performed “incident to”
 - Direct supervision must be met
- Not approved for group settings
- Performed on same day as AWW
 - Append modifier 33 to ACP code
 - Deductible/coinsurance waived when part of covered AWW
 - If ACP performed at another time, deductible/coinsurance apply

ACP Fact Sheet

- <https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNProducts/Downloads/AdvanceCarePlanning.pdf>



Documentation

- Must show physician and/or qualified NPP performed, or performed and referred, all seven required components of IPPE
- Use appropriate screening tools typically used in routine physician practice
- Use 1995 and 1997 E/M documentation guidelines
- All referrals documented
- Written medical plan documented

Advance Beneficiary Notice of Noncoverage (ABN)

- IPPE and AWW both have statutory limits
- May provide ABN as courtesy, but not required
 - Append GY modifier

Common Claim Denials

CARC	RARC	Further Explanation
149 - Lifetime benefit max reached	N117 - This service is paid only once in a patient's lifetime	G0438 (initial AWW) is in claims history
119 - Benefit maximum for this time period or occurrence has been reached	N130 - Consult plan benefit documents, guidelines for information about restrictions for this service	Make sure there is 12 months between: An IPPE An initial AWW Subsequent AWW
26 - Expenses incurred prior to coverage	N130 - Consult plan benefit documents, guidelines for information about restrictions for this service	Make sure beneficiary is not eligible for IPPE (within first 12 month)

NCCI Example – Not

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7
			Effective Date	Modifier	Event allowed	
			Time-date	SHOC	applicable	PIP (all Rationale)
G0402	G0444		20120701	*	0	More extensive procedure

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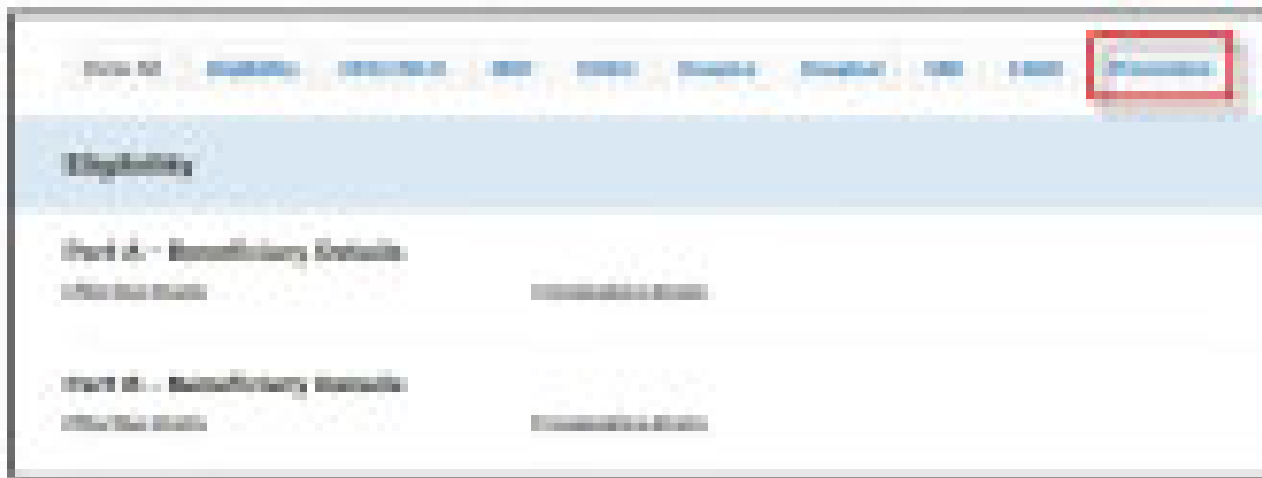
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Resources

Checking Eligibility

- Checking date of last preventive service
 - Verify with beneficiary, and also:
 - Interactive Voice Response (IVR)
 - Noridian Medicare Portal (NMP)



Medicare Preventive Services MLN

Medicare Preventive Services

MEDICARE PREVENTIVE SERVICES

Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening (AAA) [A]	Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) [A]	Bone Density Measurements	Cardiovascular Disease Screening [A]	Colonoscopy Screening [A]	Screening for Prostate Cancer [A]	Depression Screening [A]
Cancer Screening	Childhood Lead Exposure Testing [A]	Diabetes Screening	High-Dose Low-Dose Vaccines [A]	Health of Mouth/Care Screening		Influenza Shot (Annual and Pandemic)
Eye Inpatient Physical Examination [A]	Stroke Detection Using Heart Rhythm Monitor [A]	Stroke Detection Using MRI or CT [A]	Long Term Care Screening	Medicare Savings Program [A]	Medication Review and Adjustment	Respiratory Screening [A]
Screening for Cervical Cancer in Women (Pap Smear) [A]	Screening for HIV and Other Infections [A]	Smoking Assessment	Smoking/Tobacco Use	Smoking Cessation	Advanced Screening for Colorectal Cancer [A]	

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Prevention/PreventionGenInfo/medicare-preventive-services/MPS-QuickReferenceChart-1.html>

CMS Resources

- CMS Internet Only Manual (IOM)
 - Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual
 - Chapter 12, Section 30.6.1.1
 - Chapter 18, Section 80 and Section 140
 - Publication 100-02, Medicare Benefit Policy Manual
 - Chapter 15, Section 280.5
- Change Request
 - (CR) 7079

IPPE

The ABC's of the Initial Preventive Physical Examination (IPPE)

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

Medicare Learning Network

Visit us at www.cms.gov for additional information on Medicare and Medicaid programs and services.

The Initial Preventive Physical Examination (IPPE) is a new benefit of the "Part B" Medicare Program. The goal of the IPPE is to help prevent and reduce preventable and serious illnesses and to save IPPE plan beneficiaries and doctors by identifying chronic health conditions and addressing them at the beneficiary's home before they become serious.

Medicare-covered beneficiaries in the IPPE, the local private plan equivalent of the IPPE (also known as a Medicare Advantage (MA) plan), the IPPE is a separate service from the Annual Wellness Visit (AWV). For more information about the ABC's of the IPPE, visit www.cms.gov at www.cms.gov/medicare/learning-network/initial-preventive-physical-examination.

Components of the IPPE:

Initial Preventive Physical Examination	Requirements
<p>1. Initial Preventive Physical Examination (IPPE) for Medicare-covered beneficiaries</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One-on-one, face-to-face examination One-on-one, face-to-face examination with a physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist One-on-one, face-to-face examination with a physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist One-on-one, face-to-face examination with a physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist One-on-one, face-to-face examination with a physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist One-on-one, face-to-face examination with a physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist One-on-one, face-to-face examination with a physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist One-on-one, face-to-face examination with a physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist
<p>2. Initial Preventive Physical Examination (IPPE) for Medicare-covered beneficiaries who are not eligible for the IPPE</p>	<p>One-on-one, face-to-face examination with a physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist</p>

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https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNProducts/downloads/MPS_QRI_IPPE001a.pdf

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ORGANIZED BY TOPIC

- Account Management
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- Account Suspension
- Account Reactivation
- Account Migration
- Account Transfer
- Account Sharing
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- Account Reporting
- Account Analytics
- Account Integration
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- Account FAQs
- Account Glossary
- Account Terms of Service
- Account Privacy Policy
- Account Security Policy
- Account Accessibility
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- Account Internationalization
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Preventive Services

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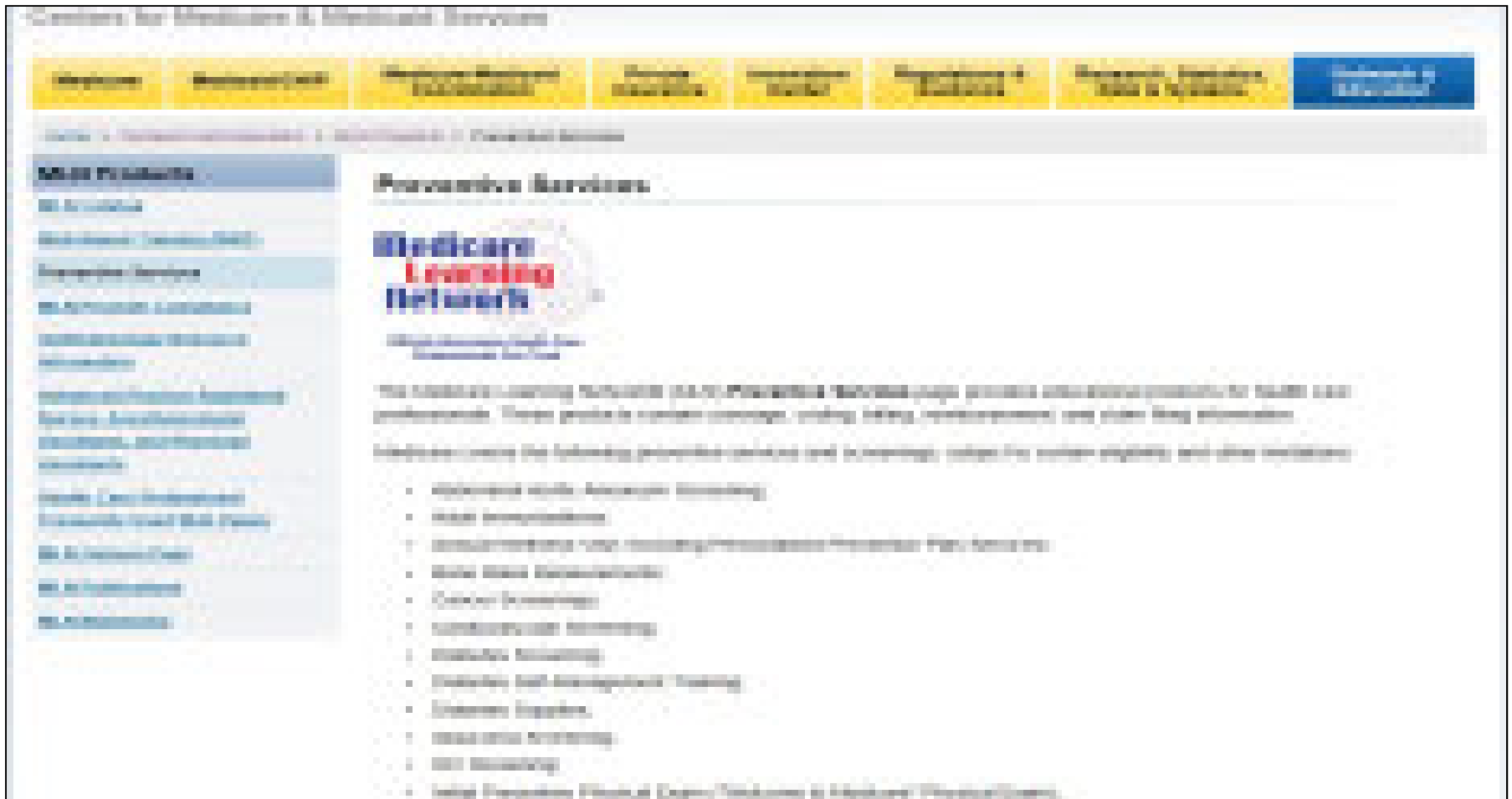
- Annual Wellness Visit (AWV)
- Cholesterol Screening
- Colonoscopy
- Depression Screening
- Diabetes Screening
- Flu Vaccination
- Hypertension Screening
- Lead in Blood Screening
- Obesity Counseling
- Oral Cancer Screening
- Prostate Cancer Screening
- Smoking Cessation
- Tuberculosis Screening
- Vision Screening

Educational Resources

- Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) - What to Expect
- Cholesterol Screening
- Colonoscopy
- Depression Screening
- Diabetes Screening
- Flu Vaccination
- Hypertension Screening
- Lead in Blood Screening
- Obesity Counseling
- Oral Cancer Screening
- Prostate Cancer Screening
- Smoking Cessation
- Tuberculosis Screening
- Vision Screening

Annual Wellness Visit (AWV)

CMS Medicare Learning Network



The screenshot shows the CMS Medicare Learning Network website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs for 'Home', 'About Us', 'Partners', 'Resources', 'Contact Us', and 'Feedback'. Below this is a breadcrumb trail: 'Home > Medicare Learning Network > Medicare Learning Network'. On the left side, there is a sidebar menu with categories like 'All Programs', 'Medicare Learning Network', 'Partners', 'Resources', and 'Contact Us'. The main content area is titled 'Preventive Services' and features the Medicare Learning Network logo. Below the logo, there is a paragraph explaining that the Medicare Learning Network (MLN) provides educational materials for health care professionals. This is followed by a list of services and training topics:

- Alzheimer's Care Assessment Instrument
- All-India Initiative
- Accredited Care Home (ACH) - Accredited Home Care Services
- Adult Basic Education
- Cancer Screening
- Cardiovascular Screening
- Diabetes Screening
- Diabetes Self-Management Training
- Diabetes Supplies
- Domestic Violence
- Fall Screening
- Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) Training for Medicare Beneficiaries

Medicare Claims Processing Manual Chapter 18 - Preventive and Screening Services

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Medicare IOM, Pub. 100-04 Ch. 18

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