

Important Developmental Screening Updates for Young Children

MVP Health Care® (MVP) knows that identifying of conditions that could adversely affect development is critically important to ensure early intervention. The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) recognizes the need for improved developmental screening, along with documentation and billing of the screenings.

Developmental Screening: What you need to know and do.

- Approximately 1 in 4 children ages 0 to 5 years are at risk for developmental delay.
- Developmental screenings should be performed with a multi-domain screening tool at 9-month, 18-month and 24 (or 30) month during well-child visits.
- An Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) specific screening tool must be completed during the 18-month and 24-month well-child visits.
- Developmental surveillance should be performed at all other well-child visits.
- Bill CPT code: **96110** for routine developmental screening and **96110** with CG modifier for ASD screenings and the appropriate E/M code with modifier 25.
 - Both a CPT and an E/M code need to be included on all claims to receive additional reimbursement for the screening and for reporting of screening completion to NYSDOH.

For more information about specific screening tools, visit mvphealthcare.com/PQIM and select *Preventive Health*, then *Clinical Guidelines*, then select *Important Developmental Screening Updates for Young Children*.