

Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment

Pediatric oral health schedule

The Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) program provides a complete range of prevention, diagnostic and treatment services for children in Medicaid programs, including Rite Smiles. EPSDT is designed to help ensure children receive early examination and care, so health problems are prevented, diagnosed and treated as early as possible.

Providers agree to provide EPSDT services to Rite Smiles eligible children enrolled in the Rite Smiles plan in accordance with the following Rhode Island EPSDT Periodicity Schedule. For more information and to confirm up-to-date guidelines, visit eohhs.ri.gov.

Service	Recommended age	
Clinical oral examination	6-12 months*	18 months-20 years
Assess oral growth and development	6-12 months*	18 months-20 years
Caries-risk assessment	6-12 months*	18 months-20 years
Radiographic assessment	6-12 months*	18 months-20 years
Prophylaxis and topical fluoride	6 months-15 years	(16-20 years if clinically necessary)
Fluoride supplementation	6-12 months*	18 months-20 years
Anticipatory guidance/counseling	6-12 months*	18 months-20 years
Oral hygiene counseling	6-12 months*	18 months-20 years
Dietary counseling	6-12 months*	18 months-20 years
Injury prevention counseling	6-12 months*	18 months-20 years
Counseling for non-nutritive habits	6-12 months*	18 months-20 years
Counseling for speech/language development	6 months-6 years	
Substance abuse assessment	6-20 years	
Counseling for intraoral/perioral piercing	6-20 years	
Counseling for HPV vaccination	11-20 years	
Assessment and treatment of developing malocclusion	6-12 months*	18 months-20 years
Assessment for pit and fissure sealants	12 months-20 years	
Assessment and/or removal of third molars	12-20 years	
Transition to adult dental care	12-20 years	

*Complete within that time frame.