

Help Keep Your Medicare Patients Healthy This Summer. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is asking the provider community to keep their patients with Medicare healthy by ensuring that they take advantage of Medicare-covered preventive services. Medicare covers a wide array of preventive services for eligible beneficiaries, including cancer screenings, glaucoma screenings, an initial preventive physical examination, and certain immunizations, among others.

What Can You Do?

As a health care professional who provides care to seniors and others with Medicare, you can help protect the health of your Medicare patients by educating them about their risk factors and reminding them of the importance of getting the preventive screenings covered by Medicare.

For More Information

CMS has developed several educational products related to Medicare-covered preventive services, including screenings for various forms of cancer:

- The MLN Preventive Services Educational Products Web Page ~ provides descriptions and ordering information for Medicare Learning Network (MLN) preventive services educational products and resources for health care professionals and their staff.
http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/35_PreventiveServices.asp
- Quick Reference Information: Medicare Preventive Services ~ This double-sided chart provides coverage and coding information on Medicare-covered preventive services.
http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/MPS_QuickReferenceChart_1.pdf
- Quick Reference Information: The ABCs of Providing the Initial Preventive Physical Examination (IPPE) ~ This double-sided chart provides a checklist of services included in the IPPE, as well as additional information on the IPPE benefit.
http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/MPS_QRI_IPPE001a.pdf
- Quick Reference Information: Medicare Part B Immunization Billing ~ This double-sided chart provides coverage and coding information on Medicare-covered immunizations.
http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/qr_immun_bill.pdf

Please visit the [Medicare Learning Network](#) for more information on these and other Medicare fee-for-service educational products.

Thank you for helping CMS improve the health of patients with Medicare by joining in the effort to educate beneficiaries about the importance of early detection of various diseases by taking advantage of the screenings and other preventive services covered by Medicare.