METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES
FOR OTHER TYPES OF CARE OR SERVICE

F. HEALTH CHECK (EPSDT) SERVICES

Reimbursement to Health Check (EPSDT) screening providers is based on the lower of submitted charges or the state's maximum allowable rate. Vaccine costs and administration fees are reimbursed separately at established rates dependent on the source of the vaccine. Vaccines provided by the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program have an administration only reimbursement rate as specified in the Part II Policy and Procedure Manual for Health Check. Georgia Medicaid will reimburse for the administration and cost of vaccines purchased outside of the VFC program when used to immunize eligible Medicaid members. Medically necessary non-institutional and institutional services which are not otherwise covered under the State Plan require prior approval and will be reimbursed under the respective program using that program's established reimbursement methodology as described on Supplement 1 to Attachment 4.19-B, Page 1.

For Health Check screenings and tests, the state’s maximum allowable rates are published in the Georgia Department of Community Health Policy and Procedure Manual for Health Check and other appropriate Georgia Department of Community Health Policy and Procedure manuals.

Immunizations will be provided per the Department of Community Health’s periodicity schedule and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). The state’s maximum allowable rates for immunizations and administration fees are published in the Georgia Department of Community Health Policy and Procedure Manual for Health Check as well as the Georgia Department of Community Health Policy and Procedure Manual for Physician’s Injectable Drug List.

Except as otherwise noted in the plan or Part II Policy and Procedure Manual for Health Check Services, state-developed fee schedule rates are the same for both governmental and private providers of EPSDT services. The agency’s fee schedule rate was set as of 7/1/2006 and is effective for services provided on or after that date. All rates are published on the www.ghp.georgia.gov website.