### Initial Medical Screens

At least 90% of Class Members will receive an **initial medical screen**\(^1\) prior to initial placement or within 48 hours of entering care.

### Initial Comprehensive Assessments

At least 85% of Class Members will receive a **comprehensive medical assessment**\(^2\) within 30 days of entering care; at least 95% will receive a comprehensive medical assessment within 60 days of entering care.

At least 85% of Class Members ages three and above for whom a mental health need is identified during the comprehensive medical assessment will receive a **comprehensive mental health assessment**\(^3\) within 30 days of the comprehensive medical assessment; at least 95% will receive a comprehensive mental health assessment within 60 days of the comprehensive medical assessment.

At least 90% of Class Members under 36 months of age will be referred to the state entity responsible for **developmental assessments** within 30 days of entering care; at least 95% shall be referred within 45 days.

At least 60% of Class Members ages two and above for whom there is no documented evidence of receiving a dental examination in the six months prior to entering care will receive a **dental examination** within 60 days of entering care; at least 90% will receive a dental examination within 90 days of entering care.

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1. The purpose, components and staff requirements for the **initial medical screen** will be established and approved by the Co-Monitors after DSS proposes, and the Co-Monitors approve, the health care case management and care coordination model referenced below.

2. The **comprehensive medical assessment** is done for the purpose of “reviewing all available data and medical history about the child or adolescent;” identifying medical conditions and developmental and mental health conditions requiring immediate attention and “to develop an individualized treatment plan” (Fostering Health, p. 22). It is to be performed by a licensed pediatric nurse practitioner or physician and in accordance with Fostering Health guidelines. (See Fostering Health: Health Care for Children and Adolescents in Foster Care, 2d. ed (16-17). American Academy of Pediatrics (2003)).

3. The **comprehensive mental health assessment** is done for the purpose of “identify[ing] any and all developmental and mental health conditions or disorders,” and a foster caregiver’s ability to support developmentally appropriate care of the child or adolescent; developing “diagnostic formulation and treatment plans,” and “shared understanding of core concerns” with child welfare staff, foster caregivers and, when possible, birth parents” (Fostering Health, p. 49). It is to be performed by a qualified mental health professional and in accordance with Fostering Health guidelines.
Periodic Preventative Care

At least 90% of Class Members under the age of six months in care for one month or more will receive a periodic preventative visit monthly. At least 90% of Class Members between the ages of six months and 36 months in care for one month or more will receive a periodic preventative visit in accordance with current American Academy of Pediatrics periodicity guidelines; at least 98% will receive a periodic preventative visit semi-annually. At least 90% of Class Members ages three and older in care for six months or more will receive a periodic preventative visit semi-annually; at least 98% will receive a periodic preventative visit annually. At least 75% of Class Members ages two and older in care for six months or longer will receive a dental examination semi-annually; at least 90% will receive a dental examination annually.

Follow-Up Care

At least 90% of Class Members will receive timely accessible and appropriate follow-up care and treatment to meet their health needs.

Health Care Case Management and Care Coordination

By March 1, 2019, DSS must submit to the Co-Monitors a proposed care coordination model, subject to Co-Monitor approval. Related outcome measures will be included at that time.

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4 The periodic preventative visit is done for the purpose of “promoting] overall wellness by fostering healthy growth and development;” “identify[ing] significant medical, behavioral, emotional, developmental and school problems through periodic history, physical exams, and screenings; assessing for “success of foster care placement,” “monitor[ing] for signs and symptoms of abuse or neglect;” and “provid[ing] age appropriate anticipatory guidance on a regular basis to children and adolescents in foster care and foster and birth parents” (Fostering Health, p. 30). It is to be performed by a qualified medical professional and in accordance with Fostering Health guidelines.

5 See American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Recommendations for Preventative Pediatric Health Care, which can be found at https://www.aap.org/en-us/Documents/periodicity_schedule.pdf