

Medicare Covered and Non-Covered Services that DTW May Provide

Currently, Medicare does not pay for a complete routine, annual exam. This exam would normally include the physician or provider doing complete breast and pelvic exams, both of which are paid by Medicare (CPT code G0101***). However, in addition, the provider would usually perform the following as well as any additional elements of an exam as deemed necessary:

a thorough medical history, counseling/guidance, risk factor reduction interventions; checking of thyroid, abdomen, and liver; listening to heart and lungs; internal rectal exam including checking for blood in stool; and checking of skin. When we bill for a routine annual exam, the CPT codes fall in the range of 99384 through 99397.

*****Cervical and Vaginal Cancer Screening**

Medicare covers Pap tests and pelvic exams to check for cervical and vaginal cancers. As part of the pelvic exam, Medicare also covers a clinical breast exam to check for breast cancer.

Who is covered? All women with Medicare. **How often is it covered?**

Medicare covers these screening tests once every 24 months, or once every 12 months for women at high risk, and for women of child-bearing age who have had an exam that indicated cancer or other abnormalities in the past 3 years.

Are you at high risk for cervical cancer? If so, discuss with your provider.

Your risk for cervical cancer increases if any of the following are true:

- You have had an abnormal Pap test.
- You have had cervical or vaginal cancer in the past.
- You have a history of sexually transmitted disease (including HIV infection).
- You began having sex before age 16.
- You have had many sexual partners.
- Your mother took DES (Diethylstilbestrol), a hormonal drug, when she was pregnant with you.

New, if you have Original Medicare : Starting January 1, 2011, you pay nothing for Pap test specimen **collection**, or the pelvic and breast exams if the doctor accepts assignment. Any additional services such as the other components of a routine annual exam as listed above may be at your own expense.

Shots (Flu, Pneumococcal, Hepatitis B)

Medicare covers flu, pneumococcal, and Hepatitis B shots.

Flu Shot

Who is covered? All people with Medicare. **How often is it covered?** Once a flu season, in the fall or winter.

Your costs if you have Original Medicare. You pay nothing if your doctor or health care provider accepts assignment.

Colorectal Cancer Screening is covered by Medicare: Fecal Occult Blood Test—Once every 12 months.

*******Dedicated to Women OB-GYN does not perform Medicare Wellness Exams*******

Please see your PCP for this type of exam.