

Georgia Foster Care program — initial assessments

Georgia Families 360°_{SM} is a program that delivers care to children, youth, and young adults in foster care, children, and youth receiving adoption assistance benefits and youth in a nonsecure placement in the juvenile justice system. Our Georgia Families 360°_{SM} program is required to coordinate and monitor completion of three initial assessments when a youth is enrolled in our program. These include a:

- Medical assessment with 10 days.
- Dental assessment within 10 days.
- Trauma assessment within 15 days of enrollment.

We believe that providers play a pivotal role in the success and timeliness of these assessments. We can only succeed by working collaboratively with you and other caregivers. Providers become eligible for an enhanced value-based payment for seeing the member within the timeframe and providing Amerigroup Community Care a copy of the medical record (within three business days of the visit).

Assessments are conducted on all newly enrolling members. Please note:

- Prior authorizations are not required for the assessments.
- There are no restrictions to the frequency in which these assessments are conducted if the need is based upon the member being newly enrolled in Georgia Families 360°_{SM}.
 - For example, if a child has had their yearly early and periodic screening, diagnostic, and testing (EPSDT) exam but then enters foster care, they should receive a new EPSDT exam.

The screening and provider guidelines are below:

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Screening type	Screening requirements	Provider requirements
Physical health	Each child shall receive: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An EPSDT medical screening within 10 calendar days of receipt of eligibility. • Any and all treatment as directed by the child’s assessing physician. 	Medical records must be submitted within 3 business days of the visit. Records should be faxed to 888-375-5064 .
Dental health	Each child 1 year of age and older shall receive: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A dental exam within 10 calendar days of receipt of eligibility. • Any and all treatment, as directed by the child’s assessing dentist. 	Medical records must be submitted within 3 business days of the visit. Records should be faxed to 888-375-5064 .

Mental health/trauma	<p>Each newly enrolled foster care child 5 years of age and older shall receive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A trauma assessment conducted by a licensed mental health professional, completed within 15 calendar days of enrollment. • Any and all treatment as directed by the child’s assessing professional. <p>The provider should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A complete trauma history • <i>A Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths Assessment</i> • Completion and inclusion of the results from one of the five identified standardized trauma screen tools. 	<p>Medical records must be submitted within 3 business days of the visit. Records should be faxed to 888-375-5064.</p>
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What if I need assistance?

In case you need additional information, there is an updated Program Overview posted in the Georgia provider website within the [Provider Training Academy](#).

If you have questions about this communication or need assistance with any other item, contact your assigned Provider Experience associate or call Provider Services at **800-454-3730**.