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**Connecticut's Division of Autism Spectrum  
Disorder Services**



## **Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment Simplified**

The Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) is the Medicaid program's benefit for children and adolescents under the age of 21. EPSDT requires states to provide a comprehensive array of preventative, diagnostic and treatment services to assure that children and adolescents receive the health care they need.

- **Early** – Assessing and identifying problems early
- **Periodic**- checking children's health at periodic, age-appropriate intervals
- **Screening**- Providing physical, mental, developmental, dental, hearing, vision, and other screening tests to detect potential problems
- **Diagnostic**- Performing diagnostic tests to follow up when a risk is identified, and
- **Treatment**- Control, correct or reduce health problems found.

Children and adolescents who are diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder are entitled to comprehensive health care services under EPSDT. In Connecticut, this includes Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) services.

For more information about EPSDT, visit the Autism Speaks website at

<https://www.autismspeaks.org/medicaid-epsdt>

For more information about covered services under HUSKY Health, please visit [www.ct.gov/dss](http://www.ct.gov/dss)  
> click on **Health & Home Care**> then click on **HUSKY Health (Medicaid & Children's Health Insurance Program)**

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