

TriHealth Pediatrics Newsletter

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Sports Physicals - Play it Safe, Schedule with Your Pediatric Provider

- **Did You Know?** When it comes to sports physicals, it's better for parents to take their kids to see their pediatric provider than going to a clinic or urgent care.
- Why? Seeing your pediatric provider for a sports physical keeps your child's medical record and health history up to date. Pediatric providers are trained to identify and treat medical and bone/joint problems that are commonly seen in children and adolescents who play sports. They will ensure your child is up to date on immunizations, discuss concerns in a confidential setting, and there is no additional cost when performed as part of a routine well child check,
- Ready to Schedule? With sports forms due in August and appointments booking fast, schedule now via MyChart ("Pediatric Well Child Check-Up") or by calling your provider's office.

¹ Source: Council on Sports Medicine and Fitness and supported by the American Academy of Pediatrics

Your Experience Matters!

If you receive a survey asking you about a recent visit with one of our providers, please take a few minutes to let us know how we're doing. Your feedback is used to improve processes and recognize outstanding team members and providers.

Growth & Access

With all TriHealth Pediatrics locations accepting new patients and adding 7 pediatric providers in the last year, we're here to serve you! Meet the newest to join our pediatric family! Learn more about all our providers on our <u>Find A Doctor</u> page.



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Well Child Checks & Sick (Office) Visits

Well child checks are focused on preventative care. They include a general physical exam, age-appropriate screenings (hearing, vision, developmental), age-specific vaccines and guidance to keep your child healthy.

Sick (office) visits are focused on a specific condition or concern outside the scope of a well visit. These include illness, injury, management of chronic, ongoing health problems and/or medications, among others.

We are **required to bill both** a well visit and a sick (office) visit if conditions or concerns outside the scope of the well child check are addressed. This may result in a copay, coinsurance or cost being applied to your deductible. It is always best to check with your insurance company regarding services that are covered.

Code G2211 – What Is It?

Your pediatric providers know your child and their history. This relationship puts your provider in the best position to address your child's needs with consistency and continuity over longer periods of time.

G2211 was created to reflect the time, knowledge and resources involved in office visits with your provider. When coming in for certain sick (office) visits, we are required to add this code to your billing statement.

