

**MESSAGE FOR ALL EPSDT ELIGIBLES AND THEIR PARENTS**

KIDMED is a Louisiana Medicaid Program that starts an eligible Medicaid recipient under 21 years of age on a healthy life by offering preventative care, like regular examinations and immunizations. Regular examinations may prevent future problems and immunizations will protect your child from diseases like measles and mumps.

If you are a Medicaid recipient under the age of 21, you may be eligible for the following services at no cost to you:

Doctor visits; hospital (inpatient and outpatient) services, lab tests and x-rays; family planning services; home health care; dental care; rehabilitation services, prescription drugs; medical equipment, appliances and supplies (DME); support coordination; speech and language evaluations and therapies; occupational therapy; physical therapy; psychological evaluations and therapy; psychological and behavior services; podiatry services; optometrist services; hospice services; extended home health services; residential institutional care; home and community based (waiver) services; medical, dental, vision and hearing screenings, both periodic and interperiodic; immunizations; eyeglasses; hearing aids; psychiatric hospital care; personal care services; audiological services; medically necessary transportation: Ambulance transportation, non-ambulance transportation; appointment scheduling assistance; chiropractic services; prenatal care; certified nurse midwives; certified nurse practitioners; mental health rehabilitation; mental health clinic services; addictive disorder services and any other medically necessary health care, diagnostic services, treatment, and other measures which are coverable by Medicaid, which includes a wide range of services not covered for recipients over the age of 21.

For further information regarding available services, or to schedule necessary medical transportation for your children or yourself (if under 21 years of age), you may contact **KIDMED** by calling **1-800-259-4444**. To schedule a screening visit, you may contact KIDMED at **1-800-259-4444** (or **225-928-9683** if you live in the Baton Rouge area), or by contacting your physician if you already have a KIDMED provider. If you have a hearing impairment, please call the TTY number, **1-877-544-9544**. If you have a communication disability or are non-English speaking, you may have someone call KIDMED and the appropriate assistance can be provided.

Some of these services must be approved by Medicaid in advance. Your medical provider should be aware of which services must be pre-approved and can assist you in obtaining those services. Also, KIDMED can assist you or your medical provider with information as to which services must be pre-approved.

Louisiana Medicaid encourages you to contact the KIDMED office and obtain a KIDMED provider so that you may be better served.