



# EPSDT Nursing Program Fact Sheet

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<b>Services Offered</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Private Duty Nursing when medically necessary to correct or ameliorate diagnosed health conditions</li></ul>
<b>Who is Eligible?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Current Medicaid/FAMIS Plus enrolled children under the age of 21 who are not eligible for nursing through a Medicaid Waiver</li></ul>
<b>Service Requirements and Limitations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Services require pre-authorization at DMAS</li><li>• There are five levels of nursing care</li><li>• Nursing needs of the individual indicate the type and complexity of care</li><li>• Each medical need has a score based on the time required to perform the skill</li><li>• The total score for the medical needs is approved by DMAS and will determine the medical necessity for nursing care</li><li>• Individuals may be eligible to receive services in the Technology Assisted Waiver when they score with the highest level of nursing needs if they meet all of the eligibility criteria to enroll in the Technology Assisted Waiver</li><li>• EPSDT nursing services are limited to the hours of skilled medical care and skilled supervision as specified in the POC</li><li>• EPSDT nursing prior authorizations are valid for the duration of the POC</li><li>• Not covered: Supervision, Respite and Vocational supports</li><li>•</li></ul>
<b>Forms Needed</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• EPSDT Medical Needs Assessment Form (DMAS-62)</li><li>• CMS 485 or Plan of Care form that contains comparable information</li></ul>
<b>Process for Requesting Pre-Authorization</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physician or NP assesses medical necessity using the EPSDT Medical Needs Assessment form (DMAS-62)</li><li>• MD or NP sends the Needs Assessment to DMAS</li><li>• Individual/family chooses a nursing agency; DMAS sends Needs Assessment to the Nursing Provider</li><li>• Nursing provider develops plan of treatment using the CMS 485 or equivalent and submits to DMAS for pre-authorization</li><li>• MCO enrollees must request EPSDT nursing through their respective MCO</li></ul>
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