



# Alert:

## Primary Care Physicians (PCP) Appointment Accessibility Standard Availability

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### Reminder

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas (BCBSTX) Medicaid reminds all Primary Care Physicians (PCPs) about Appointment Accessibility Standards. PCPs will be surveyed throughout the year regarding Appointment Accessibility standards. The Access Appointment Availability PCP [form](#) must be completed and returned.

The timeframe for PCP's appointment accessibility:

Appointment Accessibility Standards	
Primary Care Physician (PCP) Visit Type	Access Standards
Primary Routine Care	Within 14 days of request
For <b>STAR</b> , Preventive Covered Services including annual adult well checks	Within 90 days of request
For <b>STAR</b> , Preventive Covered Services for members younger than six months of age	Within 14 days of request
For <b>STAR</b> , Preventive Covered Services for members six months through age 20	Within 60 days of request
For <b>CHIP</b> , Preventive Care	Per the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Periodicity Schedule <sup>1</sup>
Medicaid members, Preventive Care	Per Texas Health Steps (THSteps) Periodicity Schedule
BCBSTX new members 20 years of age or younger, THSteps Check-up	Within 90 Days of enrollment

### Questions

Providers, for questions or additional information, please:

- Contact your BCBSTX Medicaid Network team at 1-855-212-1615 or
- Submit via email [Texas Medicaid Network Department](#)