

Behavioral Health Screenings

Blue Shield of California Promise Health Plan encourages primary care providers to regularly screen members for behavioral health concerns to help prevent complications, improve quality of life, and help reduce the cost of health care.



Why are screenings important?

Screening members regularly can result in early detection and early intervention. It helps prevent and reduce risks and plays a vital role in maintaining their overall well-being.



What codes do I use for screenings?

Screening	Codes
Annual depression screening and maternal depression screening	G0444: Annual depression screen G8431: Positive depression (add-on) G8510: Negative depression (add-on)
Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) screening	G9919: Positive and provision of recommendations G9920: Negative, no recommendations
Annual cognitive health (ACH) assessments for members aged 65 years and older	CPT 1494F: Cognitive health assessment
Annual drug and alcohol misuse screening for members aged 11 years and older	G0442: Annual alcohol misuse screen H0049: Annual drug use screen

(Headings are linked to information pages on the Blue Shield Promise provider website.)



What happens if a screen is positive?

Often, members will need further evaluation or assessment to determine the appropriate treatment or referral. Please reach out to our Social Services team for support.

Call **(877) 221-0208** from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. or find the referral form on our website below.



For further information on behavioral health screenings, codes to use, and referral pathways for members, visit our website at:

www.blueshieldca.com/en/bsp/providers/programs/behavioral-health-services