# The Importance of Health Screenings for Preschoolers

# Why are health screenings important to my child?

- \* Health screenings give you valuable information about your child's development.
- \* You will become connected with resources to help prepare your child for success in school.
- \* Screening will help identify any hearing, vision, health, growth, or general development needs your child may have.
- \* For many children, screenings can mean the difference between success and failure in school. If potential problems are detected any of the screened areas, the child then has the opportunity to receive specialized help before entering kindergarten.
- \* No concerns about your child's health, growth, or development? Your school district will still need your child's screening information and immunization information on file at school.



In the WCESC preschool programs, all children are screened for Vision and Hearing

As part of the health screening, parents should have their child screened or have exam for:

- \* Lead
- \* Hemoglobin
- \* Height

- \* Weight
- \* Medical Assmt
- \* Dental

Please see below for locations and contact information of local clinics, dentists, other health screening resources and information.



# **For Medical Evaluations:**

#### **Physical Examinations**

- \* Private pediatrician \* General physician
- \* Wood County Health & Wellness Center (located within Wood Co Health Dept) — 419-354-9049. Fees vary with services/sliding scale according to income. Private Insurance and Medicaid accepted. By appointment only.
- \* The Little Clinic in Kroger (Bowling Green & Perrysburg)
- \* Immunizations are available for patients of the Wood County Health and Wellness Center. Private insurance and Medicaid accepted. Call for appointment 419-354-9049

#### **Hearing Clinics**

\* Free Hearing Screenings will be held at the BGSU Speech & Hearing Clinic once a year (April). Call for appointment 419-372-2515

## For Immunizations:

#### **Immunizations**

- \* Private pediatrician \* General physician
- \* Immunizations are available for patients of the Wood County Health & Wellness Center (located within Wood Co. Health Dept.)
  Private insurance and Medicaid accepted. By appointment only. 419-352-8402 ext. 3252

#### For Dental Evaluations:

### **Dental Examinations**

- \* Private pediatric dentist \* Private dentist
- Wood County Health & Wellness Ctr (located within the Wood Co Health Dept) — call for appointment 419-354-9049. Fees vary with services/sliding fee scale according to income. Private Insurance and Medicaid accepted.
- Dental Centers of Northwest Ohio Toledo: 2138 Madison Ave 419-241-6215 or Findlay: 1800 Blanchard St. Ste 122 419-422-7664 \$25.00 per service; Medicaid accepted
- Owens Community College 567-661-7294

Make appointments early—Medical and Dental must be on file within 1 month of child's start date

**Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment:** To learn more about Healthcheck Services, please visit the following website: medicaid.ohio.gov/FOROHIOANS/Programs/Healthchek.aspx