



HEPATITIS B VIRUS (HBV) INFECTION SCREENING



Hello,

My name is Al Castellanos and I am a licensed insurance agent. Do you know what disease prevention is and why it's important? Well I am here to give you that information. Medicare pays for many preventive services to keep you healthy. These preventive services can find health problems early, when treatment works best, and can keep you from getting certain diseases.

Hepatitis B Virus (HBV) Infection Screening is one of the preventive services that is covered by Medicare.

Who's covered?

Medicare covers HBV infection screenings if you meet one of these conditions:

- You're at high risk for HBV infection
- You're pregnant

Medicare will only cover HBV infection screenings if they're ordered by a primary care provider.

How often is it covered?

HBV infection screenings are covered:

- Annually only for those with continued high risk who don't get a Hepatitis B vaccination.
- For pregnant women:
 - At first prenatal visit for each pregnancy.
 - At the time of delivery for those with new or continued risk factors.
 - At the first prenatal visit for future pregnancies, even if you previously got the Hepatitis B shot or had negative HBV screening results.

Your cost if you have Original Medicare

You pay nothing for the screening test if the doctor accepts assignment.

If you have any questions regarding this exam or any of the other Preventive Service exams covered by Medicare, please contact me at (281) 642-4082 or at alcastellanos@prinsuco.com.