

Updated Clinical Practice Guidelines now available online

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Updated *Clinical Practice Guidelines* are now available on the website. These evidence-based guidelines were reviewed and approved by our quality improvement committee. The guidelines include direct links to the source documents for reference.

Updates in the 2024 version include:

- Updates to links and dates published in existing guidelines as needed.
- Addition of guidelines:
 - Atopic Dermatitis: Clinical Guideline by the American Academy of Dermatology, last updated in 2023
 - Eosinophilic Esophagitis: 2020 Clinical Guideline by the American Gastroenterological Association
 - First-Episode Psychosis and Schizophrenia: 2023 guideline development by the Veterans Administration/Department of Defense
 - Rhinitis: 2020 practice parameter update by the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma, and Immunology/American College of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology
 - Drug-resistant tuberculosis: 2019 clinical practice guideline developed by multiple entities including the American Thoracic Society, the CDC, and Infectious Diseases Society of America
 - Pediatric Anxiety: 2020 clinical practice guideline by the American Academy of Pediatrics.
 Addresses children and adolescents
 - Perinatal Depression: policy statement by the American Academy of Pediatrics
- Replacements of guidelines:
 - Alzheimer's Disease: added a resource site aimed at health systems and medical professionals. Replaces 2014 guideline by the American Psychiatric Association
 - Sickle cell disease: 2020 guideline by the American Society of Hematology replaces a 2014 expert panel report by the National Heart, Lung, Blood Institute
- Deleted documents:
 - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention fact sheet on kidney disease
 - Recommended search terms regarding antenatal care on the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists site

No action is needed; this update is informational only. The guidelines below can be downloaded from our provider website at **provider.wellpoint.com/wa/** > Resources > Provider manuals and guide. For a printed copy, please call Provider Services at **833-731-2274**.

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