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**Sent:** Tuesday, December 03, 2013 2:55 PM  
**To:** Brenda James  
**Cc:** Bryan Kost; Joshelyn James  
**Subject:** FW: CDC Prevention Status Reports: Collection of outstanding data on Medicaid Reimbursement of Routine HIV Screening for Adults

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**Attachments:** SCDHHS-CDC Response Letter (December 13, 2013).pdf

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No, we do not cover HIV screens as a preventative service. A physician can order the test for any patient if they deem it medically necessary. But it is NOT covered at this time as a screening tool.

This will be reviewed as a possible update to our prevention policy during calendar year 2015. Val

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**Valeria Williams**  
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Val, Bryan, Ana, Ella & Maureen:

Please help us verify our understanding... we do not cover HIV Screening for Adults

Jen and I are working on this now and will provide a response by COB. In reading this request, we have realized that we need feedback from Bryan's area (e.g., Val, etc.) and we also need to know the results of the USPSTF research project from earlier this year.

Provider Manual (<https://www.scdhhs.gov/internet/pdf/manuals/Physicians/Manual.pdf>)

- We do not see this listed as a covered service

Please respond as soon as possible.

Thanks in advance!

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