441—78.21(249A) Rural health clinics. Payment will be made to rural health clinics for the same services payable under the Medicare program. Payment will be made for sterilization in accordance with subrule 78.1(16).

78.21(1) *Utilization review.* Utilization review will be conducted for Medicaid members who access more than 24 outpatient visits in any 12-month period from physicians, ARNPs, federally qualified health centers, other clinics, and emergency rooms.

78.21(2) *Risk assessment.* Risk assessment, using a Medicaid Prenatal Risk Assessment form, shall be completed at the initial visit during a Medicaid member's pregnancy.

a. If the risk assessment reflects a low-risk pregnancy, the assessment shall be completed again at approximately the twenty-eighth week of pregnancy.

b. If the risk assessment reflects a high-risk pregnancy, referral shall be made for enhanced services described in subrule 78.25(3).

78.21(3) *Vaccines.* In order to be paid for the administration of a vaccine covered under the VFC program, a rural health center must enroll in the VFC program. Payment for the vaccine will be approved only if the VFC program stock has been depleted.

78.21(4) *Dental services.* Payment will be made to rural health clinics for dental services payable under Iowa Medicaid's dental wellness plan as described in 441—Chapter 73.

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