

# Sage Screening Program

The Sage Screening Program is a statewide, comprehensive breast and cervical cancer control program whose primary objective is to increase the number of women who are screened for breast and cervical cancer.

## What we pay for . . .

The following services are free to eligible women at participating facilities.

Special arrangements may be needed for some services--check with your Regional Coordinator.

For reimbursable CPT codes, see rate schedule.

## Screening services:

- Office visit for breast and cervical exam
- Screening mammogram (breast exam required)
- Pap smear

## Diagnostic Services:

- Office visit for breast or cervical services (i.e. for exam or results counseling)
- Diagnostic mammogram
- Fine needle aspiration of breast lump, including pathology reading
- Colposcopy, including biopsy
- Breast Ultrasound
- Breast biopsy (with prior arrangement)
- Diagnostic services for HPV testing and endometrial biopsies—refer to Provider Manual or call your Regional Coordinator

## \*Age exceptions for breast services:

Sage services are intended for women age 40 and older. However, we do recognize that there are some situations where services are indicated in younger women. If a woman under 40 has breast symptoms or a family history of breast cancer (self, parent, sibling, child) you can enroll the woman and Sage will cover her office visit and any other breast screening testing. If further follow-up is needed, the woman could also have a diagnostic mammogram, breast ultrasound, or outpatient breast biopsy.

Sage web site: [www.MNSage.com](http://www.MNSage.com)

## Who is eligible?

Women who meet **all three** criteria:

- Age 40 or older\*
- Have no insurance or are underinsured\*\*
- Income within our guidelines.

(You do not need to verify income)

## 2011 Income Guidelines

Household Number	Monthly Income	Yearly Income
1	2,269	27,225
2	3,065	36,775
3	3,860	46,325
4	4,656	55,875
5	5,452	65,425
6	6,248	74,975

## Income estimating

Self-employed or farmers should use their net income after deducting business expenses. Since monthly incomes may vary, encourage clients to use a current or recent month's estimate of their monthly income after business expenses. No documentation is required.

## \*\*Underinsured includes:

- Insurance that does not cover screening or insurance with unmet deductibles or excessive co-payments.
- Women on Medicare can be enrolled to pay uncovered expenses associated with these screening or follow-up services.
- Women on MinnesotaCare and M.A. do not need Sage coverage and are not eligible.

