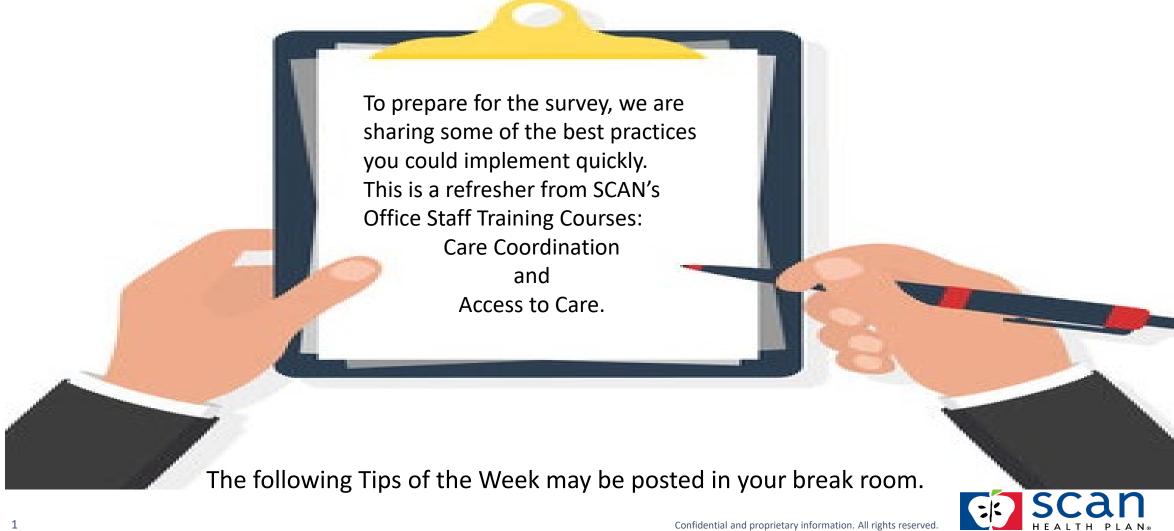
It Is CAHPS Survey Time from March to May 2024!!!



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• Communicate about the delay or offer to reschedule if needed.

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- Measure vital signs and review the reason for the patient's visit.
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Scripting for Tip of the Week #3 Best Practices

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SCRIPTING: "Good morning, Mr. or Mrs. (name of patient)! Your appointment will begin in about 15 minutes but while you wait, we can complete all the paperwork we need for your visit."



IT'S CAHPS TIME!!

TIME FOR YOU TO SHINE.

LET'S GIVE

OUR PATIENTS

WORLD CLASS SERVICE!!!