Colorectal Cancer Screening (COL-E)

2025

Members ages 45-75

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Measure definition

Members who had an appropriate screening for colorectal cancer as defined by 1 of the following:

- Fecal occult blood test during the measurement period
- Stool DNA (sDNA) with FIT test during the measurement period or 2 years prior to the measurement period
- Flexible sigmoidoscopy during the measurement period or 4 years prior to the measurement period
- **CT colonography** during the measurement period or 4 years prior to the measurement period
- Colonoscopy during the measurement period or 9 years prior to the measurement period



Medical record requirements

- Member legal name and date of birth
- Provider/practice identifier
- Provider business group (PBG) name and number
- Date of service (DOS)
- Applicable lab/test results and date collected



Commonly used claim codes*

(Not all inclusive; can submit through electronic clinical data systems)

- FOBT: 82270, 82274
- sDNA FIT lab test/ Cologuard ®: 81528, LOINC: 77353-1
- Flexible sigmoidoscopy: 45330, 45331, 45332
- Colonoscopy: 45378, 44404
- CT colonography: 74262

Exclusion:

- Colorectal cancer: C18.0
- Total colectomy: 44150, 44151

Medical record submission methods may not be applicable to all plan types. For more details, you can reach out to your HEDIS plan representative.

Insights and recommendations

- Educate member on the importance of preventive screenings
- Discuss FIT kit or Cologuard ® option with members where appropriate
- Remember that an FOBT completed by a digital rectal exam (DRE) is not compliant
- Document procedure, date and results in past medical history
- Keep in mind that refusal of any colorectal screening doesn't meet compliance
- Consider gap closure during telehealth and annual wellness visits



Required exclusions (Other exclusions may also apply)

- Members during measurement period who:
 - Enrolled in hospice or used hospice services
 - Have died
 - Received palliative care
 - Had an encounter for palliative care
- Members diagnosed with colorectal cancer or who received a total colectomy anytime during member's history through December 31 of measurement period
- Members age 66 years and older by end of measurement period with frailty and advanced illness. Members must meet both frailty and advanced illness criteria to be excluded:
 - For frailty: At least 2 indications of frailty with different dates of service during measurement period
 - For advanced Illness: Either of the following during measurement period or year prior:
 - Advanced illness on at least 2 different dates of service
 - Dispensed dementia medication
- Medicare members age 66 years and older by end of measurement period who meet either of the following:
 - Enrolled in an Institutional SNP (I-SNP) anytime during the measurement period
 - Living long-term in an institution anytime during the measurement period

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