

## Welcome Cohort 3!

A new cohort of clinics have joined the ScreeND initiative. Detailed assessments are currently being completed for seven new clinics with the focus on the south central and southwest part of ND. The Rapid Action Collaborative for Cohort 3 will kick off on September 14. There is still time to join! If you know of a clinic who may be interested, please have their clinic contact call either Nikki or Jon. We look forward to working with new ScreeND Teams in **Wishek, Napoleon, Kulm, Gackle, Elgin, Richardton and Glen Ullin!**



## Featured Resource

Building Health System Capacity to Address Medical Misinformation and Improve Colorectal Cancer Screening by Dr. Brian Southwell, Senior Director, Science in the Public Sphere. Recording available [here](#). This presentation was developed for the National Peer-to-Peer Calls of the National Association of Chronic Disease Directors.

### CRC Standing Order

Congratulations to Standing Rock Service Unit for submitting their CRC Screening Standing Order. This example template is based on their work!

## Milestones

### COPPER

- ~Standing Rock Service Unit | Fort Yates
- ~Quentin Burdick Memorial Health Care Facility | Belcourt
- ~Spirit Lake Health Center | Ft. Totten
- ~UND Family Practice | Bismarck
- ~First Care Health Center | Park River
- ~CliniCare | Cavalier



### Bronze

- ~Towner County Medical Center | Cando



## News, etc.

"[Pain in the Canal Challenge](#)" raising awareness for colorectal cancer. (8/22/21)

## How Would You Respond?

Nancy is a 57-year-old female who has been referred to a gastroenterologist by her primary care provider. Last month, she began to notice blood in her stool periodically and has had frequent bouts of diarrhea. Her family history indicates her mother died from colon cancer 15 years ago and her sister was successfully treated for Stage 1 colon cancer last year. The gastroenterologist recommends Nancy have a colonoscopy given her symptoms and family history. However, Nancy has done some research online and learned that Cologuard is a safe and private screening test she can do at home. Since her insurance will cover Cologuard, she would rather do this instead.

**Response:** *The patient's symptoms are suspicious for adenomas, and Cologuard is a poor screening device for adenoma detection. Other causes of bloody diarrhea such as ulcerative colitis are not able to be diagnosed with a Cologuard test but can be diagnosed with a colonoscopy. I would also stress the fact that if the patient gets a colonoscopy and she has polyps they can be removed at that time and that would be "curative for pre-colon cancer" vs. just detection with the Cologuard.*

Response provided by Audrey Bercier, FNP, Quentin N. Burdick Memorial Health Care Facility, Belcourt, ND

Resource: [ACS Sample Colorectal Cancer Screening Algorithm](#)

## Upcoming Events

### Tools for EPIC Users

Wednesday, September 1, 2021 | 1:00 p.m. CT

Presenter: Carlyne Tufte, Towner Co. Medical Ctr. This event will help you learn how to use the tools available in EPIC platform to extract ScreeND data. Click [here](#) to access the event on 09/01.

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