



As we step into 2023, we wish you confidence and courage to accept new challenges and work further towards your goals!

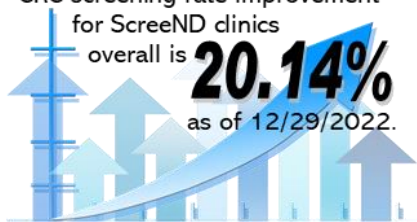


1. Assure all ScreenND clinics submit all data on a monthly basis
2. All ScreenND clinics participate in CRC Awareness Month (March)
3. All ScreenND clinics will sign the 80% in Every Community Pledge (<https://nccrt.org/80-2018-pledge/>)
4. Host or co-host an event on the topic of Implicit Bias
5. 10 clinics with screening rate > 60%, measured by the 3-month relative improvement (RI) rate, by the end of 2023



CONGRATULATIONS to the following ScreenND participating clinics on achieving a rate > 60% (latest available rate): ★ **Towner County Medical Center**, Cando | ★ **CliniCare**, Cavalier | ★ **UND Center for Family Medicine**, Bismarck | ★ **South Central Health**, Wishek, Gackle, and Kulm Clinics | ★ **Elgin Community Clinic**

CRC screening rate improvement for ScreenND clinics overall is **20.14%** as of 12/29/2022.



How has having a standing order that allows nurses with proper training to order FIT or Cologuard helped improve screening rates? Hear Mikisha Longie's response.

Featured Resources

The following diagnosis and billing codes (ICD and CPT codes) can be useful in identifying the patients who meet the criteria for having received CRC screening:

- ICD-9-CM: 45.22, 45.25, 45.42-45.43, V76.51
- ICD-10: Z12.10, Z12.11, Z12.12 R19.5
- CPT- 45330-45345, 44388-44397, 45355-45392, 81528, 82270, 82274, G0104, G0105, G0106, G0107, G0120, G0121, G0328, G0464

Although ICD-9 codes were transitioned to ICD-10 codes in 2015, there are still likely patients in the practices who had colonoscopies within the last ten years that would have had ICD-9 codes associated with the test.

News, etc.

Colorectal Cancer Screening: Updated Cost-Sharing Guidance for Medicare Beneficiaries

by Jonathan Gardner, Data Manager

Medicare's Calendar Year 2023 Physician Fee Schedule final rule, published November 1, 2022, contains some positive changes around colorectal cancer screening in support of the Biden Administration's Cancer Moonshot program. Read full [article](#). [Download](#) a cost-sharing table.

Clarifying Colonoscopy Terminology...

Screening Colonoscopy: Performed on patients who have no symptoms and no personal history of colon polyps or colon cancer, recommended every 10 years.

Diagnostic Colonoscopy: Performed when the patient has signs or symptoms in the lower gastrointestinal tract noted in the medical record before the procedure, such as abdominal pain that doesn't improve, anemia, change in bowel habits, rectal bleeding or blood in the stool.

Surveillance Colonoscopy (also known as Follow-up Colonoscopy): Performed on patients who have a prior personal history of colon polyps or colon cancer, at an interval determined by their provider.

Follow-on Colonoscopy (new term): Performed for a patient who has a positive stool (or other non-invasive) test, as a second step of screening.

Therapeutic Colonoscopy: A procedure that has lessened the need or extent of traditional open surgical procedures. The common uses of therapeutic colonoscopy are hemostasis, resection and ablation of benign and malignant disease, decompression and recanalization of obstructed or dilated bowel.

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