

Colorectal Cancer Screening (COL-E)

The percentage of members 45–75 years of age who had appropriate screening for colorectal cancer.

Numerators

Coding

Members with one or more screenings for colorectal cancer. Any of the following meet criteria:

1

Fecal occult blood test during the measurement period.

FOBT Lab Test

(CPT) 82270, 82274, (HCPCS) G0328, (LOINC) 12503-9, 12504-7, 14563-1, 14564-9, 14565-6, 2335-8, 27396-1, 27401-9, 27925-7, 27926-5, 29771-3, 56490-6, 56491-4, 57905-2, 58453-2, 80372-6

2

Stool DNA (sDNA) with FIT test during the measurement period or the 2 years prior.

sDNA FIT Lab Test

(CPT) 81528, (LOINC) 77353-1, 77354-9

3

Flexible sigmoidoscopy during the measurement period or the 4 years prior.

Flexible Sigmoidoscopy

(CPT) 45330-45335, 45337, 45338, 45340-45342, 45346, 45347, 45349, 45350, (HCPCS), G0104, (ICD9PCS) 45.24

4

CT colonography during the measurement period or the 4 years prior.

CT Colonography

(CPT) 74261-74263. (LOINC) 60515-4, 72531-7, 79069-1, 79071-7, 79101-2, 82688-3

5

Colonoscopy during the measurement period or the 9 years prior.

Colonoscopy

(CPT) 44388-44392, 44394, 44401-44408, 45378-45382, 45384, 45385, 45386, 45388-45393, 45398, (HCPCS) G0105, G0121, (ICD9PCS) 45.22, 45.23, 45.25, 45.42, 45.43

Notes

- The code set above is used by HEDIS to determine compliance. Not all codes are necessarily covered by Medi-Cal.
- Members in hospice or using hospice services are excluded from this measure.
- Members receiving palliative care are excluded from this measure.
- Members who died in the measurement year are excluded from this measure.
- Members who had colorectal cancer are excluded from this measure.
- Members who had a total colectomy are excluded from this measure.
- The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force “recommends screening for colorectal cancer in all adults aged 50 to 75 years (A recommendation) and all adults aged 45 to 49 years (B recommendation).” Potential screening methods include an annual guaiac-based fecal occult blood test (gFOBT), annual fecal immunochemical test (FIT), multitargeted stool DNA with FIT test (sDNA FIT) every 3 years, colonoscopy every 10 years, CT colonography every 5 years, flexible sigmoidoscopy every 5 years or flexible sigmoidoscopy every 10 years, with FIT every year.

Best Practices

- Complete and document all screenings for patients.
- Educate members on the importance of colorectal cancer screenings for early detection and the options available to complete their screening.
- Talk with members about using the home screenings for colorectal cancer screening.
- Help members schedule their colonoscopy screening appointments.
- Submit applicable codes.