

Colorectal cancer screening

2019

Measure description: Percent of adult members (ages 50-75) who had appropriate screening for colorectal cancer.

Purpose: Colorectal cancer is Oregon’s second leading cause of cancer deaths. With appropriate screening, abnormal growths in the colon can be found and removed before they turn into cancer. Colorectal cancer screening saves lives while also keeping overall health care costs down.

Measure Specifications

Data: Claims and Medical records (Chart review)

Benchmark: 61.1%

Denominator: OHA provides the CCO with a sampling frame of members age 51 – 75 as of December 31, 2019. Members must be continuously enrolled for all of 2018 and 2019 with no more than one gap of up to 45 days during each year.

Exclusions: Members with a record of colorectal cancer or total colectomy are excluded. Medicare members 65 years and older who live long-term in an institution during 2019 are excluded.

Numerator: Members in the denominator with documentation in the medical record indicating they received at least one of the following screenings:

Colorectal Cancer Screening Method	Valid Date of Service	CPT	HCPSC
Fecal occult blood test (FOBT or FIT)	2019	82270, 82274	G0328
Flexible Sigmoidoscopy	2015 – 2019	45330-45335, 45337-45342, 45345, 45346, 45347, 45349, 45350	G0104
Colonoscopy	2010 – 2019	44388-44394, 44397, 44401-44408, 45355, 45378-45387, 45388-45390, 45391, 45392, 45393, 45398	G0105, G0121
CT Colonography	2015 – 2019	74261, 74262, 74263	--
FIT-DNA	2017 - 2019	81528	G0464

Medical Record Review: Documentation in the medical record must include a note indicating the date when the colorectal cancer screening was performed. A result is not required if the documentation is clearly part of the “medical history” section of the record; if this is not clear, the result or finding must also be present.

OHA Resources: <http://www.oregon.gov/oha/HPA/ANALYTICS/Pages/CCO-Baseline-Data.aspx>

❖ Guidance documents and current technical specifications available on OHA’s website.

Strategies for Improvement

- Discuss FIT testing as a less invasive alternative to traditional colonoscopy.
- Use EHR tools to prompt when a patient is due for colorectal cancer screening.
- Participate in Advanced Health’s FIT kit direct mail campaign.
- Use gap list from Advanced Health for targeted patient outreach.