

Colorectal cancer screening (COL)

Percentage of patients 45–75 years of age who had appropriate screening for colorectal cancer during the measurement period (MP)

Numerator

Patients from the denominator that had one or more of the following colorectal cancer screenings during the MP:

- Fecal occult blood test
- Flexible sigmoidoscopy or CT colonography (during MP or prior four years)
- Colonoscopy (during MP or prior nine years)
- Stool DNS with FIT test (during MP or prior two years)

Denominator

Patients between ages 45-75

Exclusions

- Patients in hospice or who used hospice services at any time during the MP
- Patients who died during the MP
- At least one acute inpatient encounter with an advanced illness

Measurement period

January 1 to December 31

Helpful tips

- ✓ Discuss screening options beyond colonoscopy
- ✓ Educate patients on the importance of early detection
- ✓ Annually update patient history
- ✓ Ensure placement of testing orders

