



What is the Colorado Colorectal Screening Program?

Colorado Colorectal Screening Program is a statewide program that partners with community clinics, their screening partners and their treatment partners to provide endoscopic colorectal screening services and treatment of colorectal cancer cases diagnosed through the program to the medically underserved. In addition, the Program promotes colorectal screening awareness to Coloradans age 50 and older.

Program Screening Facts:

- The Program targets to screen approximately 2,600 patients this year
- Adenomas (those polyps most likely to develop into cancer) are found and removed in approximately 25 % of screens
- One percent of those screened are diagnosed with colorectal cancer

Those eligible for the Program must be:

- Lawfully present Colorado residents ages 50 and older (average risk) or those under 50 with personal or family history of colon cancer (elevated risk)
- At or below 250% Federal Poverty Level
- Uninsured, or the holder of an insurance plan that does not cover ANY costs for endoscopic colorectal screening;
- A member of a clinic that participates in the Program
- Meets the criteria of eligibility for screening under American Cancer Society guidelines

Other services include clinic outreach and patient support services.

The Program is a payor of last resort; other coverage should be utilized, if available. The Program does not cover fecal occult blood tests (FOBT) or DNA stool testing.

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