

QIPS 2025: Adult program

Colorectal Cancer Screenings

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Measure Requirements

Members who had appropriate screening for colorectal cancer using any **one** of the following criteria:

- Fecal occult blood test (FOBT) or fecal immunochemical test (FIT) during the measurement year (2025) (CPT® code 82270 or 82274 or HCPCS code G0328 only)
- Flexible sigmoidoscopy during the measurement year (2025), or within the last four years (2024, 2023, 2022, 2021)
- CT colonography during the measurement year (2025) or the four years prior (2024, 2023, 2022, 2021)
- Colonoscopy during the measurement year (2025) or nine years prior (2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016)

An FOBT or FIT done during a digital rectal exam in the doctor's office is not adequate for screening.

Note: Cologuard (FIT-DNA) is considered a Tier 2 Test. Therefore, credit will not be given for completion of this test in QPM. Members who have a Cologuard test performed will be removed from the numerator and denominator for three years when calculating performance for this measure.

Member Requirements

Members who were with a practice for 11 consecutive months within the measurement year (2025) and who were ages 45 through 75 as of December 31 of the measurement year (2025).

QPM Targets

Band 1	75% – 100%
Band 2	69% – 74.99%
Band 3	63% – 68.99%
Band 4	56% – 62.99%
Band 5	<56%

See payment details in section 5 of the QIPS guide.

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Options to close Care Gaps

- **Option 1:** Claim/encounter submission with appropriate coding for any of the applicable screenings listed above (e.g., Coding of a colonoscopy during 2024 from a gastroenterology provider).
- **Option 2:** Claim/encounter submission with appropriate exclusion coding for colorectal cancer or colectomy history.

Colorectal Cancer Exclusion Codes						
ICD-10CM	C18.0	C18.1	C18.2	C18.3	C18.4	C18.5
	C18.6	C18.7	C18.8	C18.9	C19	C20
	C21.2	C21.8	C78.5	Z85.038	Z85.048	

Total colectomy Exclusion Codes						
CPT®	44150	44151	44152	44153	44155	44156
	44157	44158	44210	44211	44212	

- **Option 3:** PEAR CV* form submission.

* Use the Comprehensive Visit (CV) application in the Provider Engagement, Analytics & Reporting (PEAR) portal.