



Congratulations to Jacobson Memorial Hospital and Care Center on achieving the SILVER MILESTONE! This clinic is part of Cohort 3, starting the work of this project in September of 2022 at their 3 clinic locations. Their relative improvement has been astounding with a 215.79% relative improvement rate in Elgin, 408.11% in Glen Ullin, and 145.58% in Richardton!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I am going to die of something, but it sure isn't going to be Colorectal Cancer." ~ Rudy Arpan, Administrative Officer, Standing Rock Service Unit

Featured Resource

Colorectal Cancer Screening: New Cost-Sharing Guidance

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One goal of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) is to lower the costs of healthcare. Section 4104 waives the coinsurance for certain services identified by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF), including colonoscopies and stool tests.

There is new guidance to clarify cost-sharing for ACA preventive benefits. Screening colonoscopies and procedures performed after a positive stool test should not result in costsharing.

Non-grandfathered ACA plans must implement this guidance for plan years beginning on or after May 31, 2022. While this does not apply to Medicaid or Medicare programs, the Removing Barriers to Colorectal Cancer Screening Act reduces cost-sharing for Medicare patients and eliminates cost-sharing by 2030.

This guidance will reduce the cost of preventive services among Americans. Please verify coverage with the health insurance plan prior to scheduling any services that may incur unexpected expenses.

Dashboard

ScreeND Progress to Date 15 Participating Clinics



Study 50% 78.88% 45.4% 42.9% 45% 41.2% 40.3% 63.41% 40% 45.49% 35% 30% 25% 20% 2021Q2 2021Q3 2021Q4 2022Q1 Fecal Kit Return Rate (FIT/iFOBT/FIT-DNA) Overall Screening Rate Screening Colonoscopy Completion Baseline Rate (32.2%) Follow-up Colonoscopy Completion

Turn ND Blue Photo Contest

Thank you to every team who submitted a photo for the Turn ND Blue contest! Congratulations to the winner of the Hospital Category: First Care Health Center's GI Department. The QHA ScreeND Team won the category for Community & Education Group/Non-Medical Worksites.



First Care Health Center GI Team

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