

Local Coverage Article: COLORECTAL Cancer Screening – Medical Policy Article (A52378)

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Article Guidance

Article Text:**Abstract:**

This article represents local instructions for CMS National Coverage Policy (CMS Publication 100-03, *Medicare National Coverage Determinations (NCD) Manual*, Chapter 1, Section 210.3). **All italicized text is quoted verbatim from CMS Publication 100-04, *Medicare Claims Processing Manual*, Chapter 18, Sections 60-60.3 unless otherwise noted.**

Effective for services furnished on or after January 1, 1998, payment may be made for COLORECTAL cancer screening for the early detection of cancer. For screening colonoscopy services (one of the types of services included in this benefit) prior to July 2001, coverage was limited to high-risk individuals. For services July 1, 2001, and later, screening colonoscopies are covered for individuals not at high risk.

The following services are considered COLORECTAL cancer screening services:

- *Fecal-occult blood test (FOBT), 1-3 simultaneous determinations (guaiac-based);*

- Flexible sigmoidoscopy;
- Colonoscopy; and,
- Barium enema

Effective for services on or after January 1, 2004, payment may be made for the following COLORECTAL cancer screening service as an alternative for the guaiac-based FOBT, 1-3 simultaneous determinations:

- Fecal-occult blood test, immunoassay, 1-3 simultaneous determinations

Effective for claims with dates of service on or after October 9, 2014, payment may be made for COLORECTAL cancer screening using the Cologuard™ multitarget stool DNA (sDNA) test:

- G0464 (COLORECTAL cancer screening; stool-based DNA and fecal occult hemoglobin (e.g., KRAS, NDRG4 and BMP3)).

(See CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60)

Indications and Limitations:

HCPCS G0104 - COLORECTAL Cancer Screening; Flexible Sigmoidoscopy

Screening flexible sigmoidoscopies (HCPCS G0104) may be paid for beneficiaries who have attained age 50, when performed by a doctor of medicine or osteopathy at the frequencies noted below.

For claims with dates of service on or after January 1, 2002, contractors or carriers pay for screening flexible sigmoidoscopies (HCPCS G0104) for beneficiaries who have attained age 50 when these services were performed by a doctor of medicine or osteopathy, or by a physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist (as defined in §1861(aa) (5) of the Social Security Act (the Act) and in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 42 CFR 410.74, 410.75, and 410.76) at the frequencies noted. For claims with dates of service prior to January 1, 2002, Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) pay for these services under the conditions noted only when a doctor of medicine or osteopathy performs them.

For services furnished from January 1, 1998, through June 30, 2001, inclusive:

- Once every 48 months (i.e., at least 47 months have passed following the month in which the last covered screening flexible sigmoidoscopy was performed)

For services furnished on or after July 1, 2001:

- Once every 48 months as calculated above **unless** the beneficiary does not meet the criteria for high risk of developing COLORECTAL cancer **and** he/she has had a screening colonoscopy (HCPCS G0121) within the preceding 10 years. If such a beneficiary has had a screening colonoscopy within the preceding 10 years, then he or she can have covered a screening flexible sigmoidoscopy only after at least 119 months have passed following the month that he/she received the screening colonoscopy (HCPCS G0121).

NOTE: If during the course of a screening flexible sigmoidoscopy a lesion or growth is detected which results in a biopsy or removal of the growth; the appropriate diagnostic procedure classified as a flexible sigmoidoscopy with biopsy or removal along with modifier -PT should be billed and paid rather than HCPCS G0104. (See CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60.2)

HCPCS G0105 - COLORECTAL Cancer Screening; Colonoscopy on Individual at High Risk

Screening colonoscopies (HCPCS G0105) may be paid when performed by a doctor of medicine or osteopathy at a frequency of once every 24 months for beneficiaries at high risk for developing COLORECTAL cancer (i.e., at least 23 months have passed following the month in which the last covered HCPCS G0105 screening colonoscopy was performed). (See CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60.2)

Characteristics of the High Risk Individual:

An individual at high risk for developing COLORECTAL cancer has one or more of the following:

- A close relative (sibling, parent, or child) who has had COLORECTAL cancer or an adenomatous polyp;
- A family history of familial adenomatous polyposis;
- A family history of hereditary nonpolyposis COLORECTAL cancer;
- A personal history of adenomatous polyps;
- A personal history of COLORECTAL cancer; or
- Inflammatory bowel disease, including Crohn's Disease, and ulcerative colitis.

(See CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60.3)

NOTE: If during the course of the screening colonoscopy, a lesion or growth is detected which results in a biopsy or removal of the growth, the appropriate diagnostic procedure classified as a colonoscopy with biopsy or removal along with modifier –PT should be billed and paid rather than HCPCS G0105. (CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60.2)

When a covered colonoscopy is attempted but cannot be completed because of extenuating circumstances, Medicare will pay for the interrupted colonoscopy as long as the coverage conditions are met for the incomplete procedure. (See CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60.2(A)(1) for additional information.) (See CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60.2)

HCPCS G0106 - COLORECTAL Cancer Screening; Barium Enema; as an Alternative to HCPCS G0104, Screening Sigmoidoscopy

Screening barium enema examinations may be paid as an alternative to a screening sigmoidoscopy (HCPCS G0104). The same frequency parameters for screening sigmoidoscopies (see those codes above) apply.

In the case of an individual aged 50 or over, payment may be made for a screening barium enema examination (HCPCS G0106) performed after at least 47 months have passed following the month in which the last screening barium enema or screening flexible sigmoidoscopy was performed. For example, the beneficiary received a screening barium enema examination as an alternative to a screening flexible sigmoidoscopy in January 1999. Start counts beginning February 1999. The beneficiary is eligible for another screening barium enema in January 2003.

The screening barium enema must be ordered in writing after a determination that the test is the appropriate screening test. Generally, it is expected that this will be a screening double contrast enema unless the individual is unable to withstand such an exam. This means that in the case of a particular individual, the attending physician must determine that the estimated screening potential for the barium enema is equal to or greater than the screening potential that has been estimated for a screening flexible sigmoidoscopy for the same individual. The screening single contrast barium enema also requires a written order from the beneficiary's attending physician in the same manner as described above for the screening double contrast barium enema examination. (See CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60.2)

CPT 82270* HCPCS G0107* - COLORECTAL Cancer Screening; Fecal-Occult Blood Test, 1-3 Simultaneous Determinations

Effective for services furnished on or after January 1, 1998, screening FOBT [fecal-occult blood test] (CPT 82270*) (HCPCS G0107*) may be paid for beneficiaries who have attained age 50, and at a frequency of once every 12 months (i.e., at least 11 months have passed following the month in which the last covered screening FOBT was performed). This screening FOBT means a guaiac-based test for peroxidase activity, in which the beneficiary completes it by taking samples from two different sites of three consecutive stools. This screening requires a written order from the beneficiary's attending physician. (The term "attending physician" is defined to mean a doctor of medicine or osteopathy (as defined in §1861(r)(1) of the Act) who is fully knowledgeable about the beneficiary's medical condition, and who would be responsible for using the results of any examination performed in the overall management of the beneficiary's specific medical problem.)

Effective for services furnished on or after January 1, 2004, payment may be made for an immunoassay-based FOBT (HCPCS G0328, described below) as an alternative to the guaiac-based FOBT, CPT 82270* (HCPCS G0107*). Medicare will pay for only one covered FOBT per year, either CPT 82270* (HCPCS G0107*) or HCPCS G0328, but not both.

***NOTE:** For claims with dates of service prior to January 1, 2007, physicians, suppliers, and providers report HCPCS G0107. Effective January 1, 2007, HCPCS G0107 is discontinued and replaced with CPT 82270. (See CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60.2)

HCPCS G0328 - COLORECTAL Cancer Screening; Immunoassay, Fecal-Occult Blood Test, 1-3 Simultaneous Determinations

Effective for services furnished on or after January 1, 2004, screening FOBT, (HCPCS G0328) may be paid as an alternative to CPT 82270* (HCPCS G0107*) for beneficiaries who have attained age 50. Medicare will pay for a covered FOBT (either CPT 82270* (HCPCS G0107*) or HCPCS G0328, but not both) at a frequency of once every 12 months (i.e., at least 11 months have passed following the month in which the last covered screening FOBT was performed). Screening FOBT, immunoassay, includes the use of a spatula to collect the appropriate number of samples or the use of a special brush for the collection of samples, as determined by the individual manufacturer's instructions. This screening requires a written order from the beneficiary's attending physician, or effective for dates of service on or after January 27, 2014, the beneficiary's attending physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist. (The term "attending physician" is defined to mean a doctor of medicine or osteopathy (as defined in §1861(r)(1) of the Act) who is fully knowledgeable about the beneficiary's medical condition, and who would be responsible for using the results of any examination performed in the overall management of the beneficiary's specific medical problem.) (See CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60.2)

HCPCS G0120 - COLORECTAL Cancer Screening; Barium Enema; as an Alternative to HCPCS G0105, Screening Colonoscopy

Screening barium enema examinations may be paid as an alternative to a screening colonoscopy (HCPCS G0105) examination. The same frequency parameters for screening colonoscopies (see those codes above) apply.

In the case of an individual who is at high risk for COLORECTAL cancer, payment may be made for a screening barium enema examination (HCPCS G0120) performed after at least 23 months have passed following the month in which the last screening barium enema or the last screening colonoscopy was performed. For example, a beneficiary at high risk for developing COLORECTAL cancer received a screening colonoscopy barium enema examination (HCPCS G0120) as an alternative to a screening colonoscopy (HCPCS G0105) in January 2000. Start counts beginning February 2000. The beneficiary is eligible for another screening barium enema examination (HCPCS G0120) in January 2002.

The screening barium enema must be ordered in writing after a determination that the test is the appropriate screening test. Generally, it is expected that this will be a screening double contrast enema unless the individual is unable to withstand such an exam. This means that in the case of a particular individual, the attending physician must determine that the estimated screening potential for the barium enema is equal to or greater than the screening potential that has been estimated for a screening colonoscopy, for the same individual. The screening single contrast barium enema also requires a written order from the beneficiary's attending physician in the same manner as described above for the screening double contrast barium enema examination. (See CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60.2)

HCPCS G0121 - COLORECTAL Screening; Colonoscopy on Individual Not Meeting Criteria for High Risk - Applicable On and After July 1, 2001

Effective for services furnished on or after July 1, 2001, screening colonoscopies (HCPCS G0121) performed on individuals not meeting the criteria for being at high risk for developing COLORECTAL cancer may be paid under the following conditions:

- At a frequency of once every 10 years (i.e., at least 119 months have passed following the month in which the last covered HCPCS G0121 screening colonoscopy was performed.)
- If the individual would otherwise qualify to have covered a HCPCS G0121 screening colonoscopy based on the above but has had a covered screening flexible sigmoidoscopy (HCPCS G0104), then the individual may have covered a HCPCS G0121 screening colonoscopy only after at least 47 months have passed following the month in which the last covered HCPCS G0104 flexible sigmoidoscopy was performed.

NOTE: If during the course of the screening colonoscopy, a lesion or growth is detected which results in a biopsy or removal of the growth, the appropriate diagnostic procedure classified as a colonoscopy with biopsy or removal along with modifier -PT should be billed and paid rather than HCPCS G0121 (See CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60.2)

HCPCS G0464 (Replaced with CPT 81528) - Multitarget Stool DNA (sDNA) COLORECTAL Cancer Screening Test - Cologuard™

Effective for dates of service on or after October 9, 2014, COLORECTAL cancer screening using the Cologuard™ multitarget sDNA test (G0464/81528) is covered once every 3 years for Medicare beneficiaries that meet all of the following criteria:

- Ages 50 to 85 years,
- Asymptomatic (no signs or symptoms of COLORECTAL disease including but not limited to lower gastrointestinal pain, blood in stool, positive guaiac fecal occult blood test or fecal immunochemical test), and,
- At average risk of developing COLORECTAL cancer (no personal history of adenomatous polyps, COLORECTAL cancer, or inflammatory bowel disease, including Crohn's Disease and ulcerative colitis; no family history of COLORECTAL cancers or adenomatous polyps, familial adenomatous polyposis, or hereditary nonpolyposis COLORECTAL cancer).

See Pub. 100-03, *Medicare National Coverage Determinations Manual*, Chapter 1, Section 210.3, for complete coverage requirements.

(See CMS Publication 100-04, *Medicare Claims Processing Manual*, Chapter 18, Section 60.2)

Frequency limits for COLORECTAL screening examinations are determined by CMS national policy. Although fecal occult blood screening (HCPCS 82270/G0107 and G0328) is allowed annually, the frequency for all other examinations depends on whether the individual is or is not considered at high risk for COLORECTAL cancer.

Coding Information:

Procedure codes may be subject to National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) edits or OPPS packaging edits. Refer to NCCI and OPPS requirements prior to billing Medicare.

For services requiring a referring/ordering physician, the name and NPI of the referring/ordering physician must be reported on the claim.

A claim submitted without a valid ICD-10-CM diagnosis code will be returned to the provider as an incomplete claim under Section 1833(e) of the Social Security Act.

Advance Beneficiary Notice of Noncoverage (ABN) Modifier Guidelines

An ABN may be used for services which are likely to be non-covered, whether for medical necessity or for other reasons. Refer to CMS Publication 100-04, *Medicare Claims Processing Manual*, Chapter 30, for complete instructions.

When a covered colonoscopy is attempted but cannot be completed because of extenuating circumstances, Medicare will pay for the interrupted colonoscopy as long as the coverage conditions are met for the incomplete procedure. However, the frequency standards associated with screening colonoscopies will not be applied by the common working file (CWF). When a covered colonoscopy is next attempted and completed, Medicare will pay for that colonoscopy according to its payment methodology for this procedure as long as coverage conditions are met, and the frequency standards will be applied by CWF. This policy is applied to both screening and diagnostic colonoscopies. When submitting a facility claim for the interrupted colonoscopy, providers are to suffix the colonoscopy.

Use of HCPCS codes with a modifier of "-73" or "-74" is appropriate to indicate that the procedure was interrupted. Payment for covered incomplete screening colonoscopies shall be consistent with payment methodologies currently in place for complete screening colonoscopies, including those contained in 42 CFR 419.44(b). In situations where a critical access hospital (CAH) has elected payment Method II for CAH patients, payment shall be consistent with payment methodologies currently in place ... As such, CAHs that elect Method II payment [should] use modifier "-53" to identify an incomplete screening colonoscopy (physician professional service(s) billed in revenue code 096X, 097X, and/or 098X). Such CAHs will also bill the technical or facility component of the interrupted colonoscopy in revenue code 075X (or other appropriate revenue code) using the "-73" or "-74" modifier as appropriate.

*Note that Medicare would expect the provider to maintain adequate information in the patient's medical record in case it is needed by the contractor to document the incomplete procedure. (See CMS Publication 100-04, *Medicare Claims Processing Manual*, Chapter 18, Section 60.2)*

HCPCS code G0122 (COLORECTAL cancer screening; barium enema) should be used when a screening barium enema is performed not as an alternative to either a screening colonoscopy (code G0105) or a screening flexible

sigmoidoscopy (code G0104). This service should be denied as noncovered because it fails to meet the requirements of the benefit. The beneficiary is liable for payment. (See CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60.5)

The following table published in *CMS Program Memorandum, Transmittal AB-03-033, Change Request #2580, February 28, 2003: Promoting COLORECTAL Cancer Screening as a part of National COLORECTAL Cancer Awareness Month Medicare Coverage and Procedure Codes* provides a synopsis of CMS National Coverage Policy discussed in this article. The table was updated with coverage of HCPCS code G0328 effective January 1, 2004.

| COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING GUIDELINES | | |
|--|-----------------------|--|
| COLORECTAL Cancer Screening Test/Procedure | CPT/HCPCS Code | Medicare Coverage |
| Screening Fecal-Occult Blood Test | 82270 G0328 | Once every 12 months for patients age 50 and older. |
| Screening Flexible Sigmoidoscopy | G0104 | Once every 48 months for patients age 50 and older when performed by a doctor of medicine or osteopathy, or a physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist. |
| Screening Colonoscopy - individual at high risk | G0105 | Once every 24 months for patients at any age who are at high risk for COLORECTAL cancer, when performed by a doctor of medicine or osteopathy. |
| Screening Colonoscopy - individual not meeting criteria for high risk | G0121 | Once every 10 years but not within 48 months of a screening sigmoidoscopy for patients at any age who are not at high risk, when performed by a doctor of medicine or osteopathy. |
| Screening Barium Enema, alternative to G0104 (screening sigmoidoscopy)* | G0106 | Physicians may substitute a barium enema examination for flexible sigmoidoscopy every 4 years for patients age 50 and older. |
| Screening Barium Enema, alternative to G0105 (screening colonoscopy)* | G0120 | Physicians may substitute a barium enema examination for colonoscopy every 2 years for high-risk patients. |
| Screening Barium Enema not performed as an alternative to G0105 or G0104. | G0122 | This service is denied as noncovered, because it fails to meet the requirements of the benefit. The beneficiary is liable for payment. |

Effective January 1, 2015, anesthesia professionals who furnish a separately payable anesthesia service (CPT code 00810) in conjunction with a screening colonoscopy shall include the following on the claim for the services that qualify for the waiver of coinsurance and deductible:

- **Modifier 33 – Preventive Services:** when the primary purpose of the service is the delivery of an evidence based service in accordance with a USPSTF A or B rating in effect and other preventive services identified in preventive services mandates (legislative or regulatory), the service may be identified by adding 33 to the procedure. For separately reported services specifically identified as preventive, the modifier should not be used.

The Affordable Care Act waives the Part B deductible for COLORECTAL cancer screening tests that become diagnostic. The Medicare policy is that the deductible is waived for all surgical procedures (Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code range of 10000 to 69999) furnished on the same date and in the same encounter as a colonoscopy, flexible sigmoidoscopy, or barium enema that were initiated as COLORECTAL cancer screening services. A modifier "PT" has been created effective January 1, 2011 which providers and practitioners should append to a least one CPT code in the surgical range of 10000 to 69999 on a claim for services furnished in this scenario.

For claims submitted to the Part A MAC:

Claims for COLORECTAL cancer screening tests may be submitted for bill types 12X, 13X, 22X, 23X, 83X, 85X (CMS Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 18, Section 60.6).

Effective April 1, 2006, CMS Publication 100-04, *Medicare Claims Processing Manual*, Transmittal 821, Change Request #4272, February 1, 2006, requires fiscal intermediaries (FIs) to allow COLORECTAL cancer screening HCPCS 82270 and G0328 to be billed on TOB 14X for non-patient laboratory specimens.

Claims for bill types other than 22X or 23X should be submitted using the following revenue codes: *030X for 82270, G0328; 032X for G0106, G0120, G0122* (CMS Publication 100-04, *Medicare Claims Processing Manual*, Chapter 18, Section 60.6); and 036X, 049X, 519, 075X, or 076X (for G0104, G0105, G0121).

Claims for bill types 22X or 23X should be submitted using the following revenue codes: *030X for 82270, G0328; 032X for G0106; and 075X for G0104* (CMS Publication 100-04, *Medicare Claims Processing Manual*, Chapter 18, Section 60.6).

For claims submitted to the Part B MAC:

When performing a **screening** rather than a diagnostic sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy through a stoma, use CPT code 44799 (Unlisted procedure, intestine). It should be entered in Item 19 of the CMS-1500 claim form or the electronic equivalent, whether the examination is more similar to a screening sigmoidoscopy or screening colonoscopy.

Modifier QW should be appended to HCPCS code G0328 to indicate a CLIA waived test.

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Coding Information

Bill Type Codes:

Contractors may specify Bill Types to help providers identify those Bill Types typically used to report this service. Absence of a Bill Type does not guarantee that the article does not apply to that Bill Type. Complete absence of all Bill Types indicates that coverage is not influenced by Bill Type and the article should be assumed to apply equally to all claims.

| Bill Type Code | Bill Type Description |
|-----------------------|---|
| 012x | Hospital Inpatient (Medicare Part B only) |
| 013x | Hospital Outpatient |
| 014x | Hospital - Laboratory Services Provided to Non-patients |
| 022x | Skilled Nursing - Inpatient (Medicare Part B only) |
| 023x | Skilled Nursing - Outpatient |
| 083x | Ambulatory Surgery Center |
| 085x | Critical Access Hospital |

Revenue Codes:

Contractors may specify Revenue Codes to help providers identify those Revenue Codes typically used to report this service. In most instances Revenue Codes are purely advisory. Unless specified in the article, services reported under other Revenue Codes are equally subject to this coverage determination. Complete absence of all Revenue Codes indicates that coverage is not influenced by Revenue Code and the article should be assumed to apply equally to all Revenue Codes.

Revenue codes only apply to providers who bill these services to the Part A MAC. Revenue codes do not apply to physicians, other professionals and suppliers who bill these services to the Part B MAC.

Please note that not all revenue codes apply to every type of bill code. Providers are encouraged to refer to the FISS revenue code file for allowable bill types. Similarly, not all revenue codes apply to each CPT/HCPCS code. Providers are encouraged to refer to the FISS HCPCS file for allowable revenue codes.

| Revenue Code | Revenue Code Description |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 030X | Laboratory - General Classification |

| Revenue Code | Revenue Code Description |
|--------------|--|
| 032X | Radiology - Diagnostic - General Classification |
| 036X | Operating Room Services - General Classification |
| 049X | Ambulatory Surgical Care - General Classification |
| 0519 | Clinic - Other Clinic |
| 0750 | Gastro-Intestinal (GI) Services - General Classification |
| 076X | Specialty Services - General Classification |
| 0960 | Professional Fees - General Classification |
| 0969 | Professional Fees - Other Professional Fee |
| 0972 | Professional Fees - Radiology - Diagnostic |
| 0982 | Professional Fees - Outpatient Services |
| 0983 | Professional Fees - Clinic |

CPT/HCPCS Codes
Group 1 Paragraph:

Effective January 1, 2016, HCPCS code G0464 was deleted and replaced with CPT code 81528.

Group 1 Codes:

| Group 1 CPT/HCPCS Code | Group 1 CPT/HCPCS Code Description |
|------------------------|---|
| 81528 | ONCOLOGY (COLORECTAL) SCREENING, QUANTITATIVE REAL-TIME TARGET AND SIGNAL AMPLIFICATION OF 10 DNA MARKERS (KRAS MUTATIONS, PROMOTER METHYLATION OF NDRG4 AND BMP3) AND FECAL HEMOGLOBIN, UTILIZING STOOL, ALGORITHM REPORTED AS A POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE RESULT |
| 82270 | BLOOD, OCCULT, BY PEROXIDASE ACTIVITY (EG, GUAIAC), QUALITATIVE; FECES, CONSECUTIVE COLLECTED SPECIMENS WITH SINGLE DETERMINATION, FOR COLORECTAL NEOPLASM SCREENING (IE, PATIENT WAS PROVIDED 3 CARDS OR SINGLE TRIPLE CARD FOR CONSECUTIVE COLLECTION) |
| G0104 | COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING; FLEXIBLE SIGMOIDOSCOPY |
| G0105 | COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING; COLONOSCOPY ON INDIVIDUAL AT HIGH RISK |
| G0106 | COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING; ALTERNATIVE TO G0104, SCREENING SIGMOIDOSCOPY, BARIUM ENEMA |
| G0120 | COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING; ALTERNATIVE TO G0105, SCREENING COLONOSCOPY, BARIUM ENEMA. |
| G0121 | COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING; COLONOSCOPY ON INDIVIDUAL NOT MEETING CRITERIA FOR HIGH RISK |
| G0122 | COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING; BARIUM ENEMA |
| G0328 | COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING; FECAL OCCULT BLOOD TEST, IMMUNOASSAY, 1-3 SIMULTANEOUS |

ICD-10 Codes that are Covered
Group 1 Paragraph:

Routine screening examinations:

Group 1 Codes:

ICD-10 Codes that are covered Information Table

| Code | Description |
|--------|---|
| Z12.10 | Encounter for screening for malignant neoplasm of intestinal tract, unspecified |
| Z12.11 | Encounter for screening for malignant neoplasm of colon |
| Z12.12 | Encounter for screening for malignant neoplasm of rectum |

Group 2 Paragraph:

Screening examinations for persons at high risk: (HCPCS Codes G0105 and G0120)

Group 2 Codes:

ICD-10 Codes that are covered Information Table

| Code | Description |
|---------|--|
| C18.0 | Malignant neoplasm of cecum |
| C18.2 | Malignant neoplasm of ascending colon |
| C18.3 | Malignant neoplasm of hepatic flexure |
| C18.4 | Malignant neoplasm of transverse colon |
| C18.5 | Malignant neoplasm of splenic flexure |
| C18.6 | Malignant neoplasm of descending colon |
| C18.7 | Malignant neoplasm of sigmoid colon |
| C18.8 | Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of colon |
| C18.9 | Malignant neoplasm of colon, unspecified |
| C19 | Malignant neoplasm of rectosigmoid junction |
| C20 | Malignant neoplasm of rectum |
| C21.0 | Malignant neoplasm of anus, unspecified |
| C21.1 | Malignant neoplasm of anal canal |
| C21.2 | Malignant neoplasm of cloacogenic zone |
| C21.8 | Malignant neoplasm of overlapping sites of rectum, anus and anal canal |
| C49.A3 | Gastrointestinal stromal tumor of small intestine |
| C49.A4 | Gastrointestinal stromal tumor of large intestine |
| C49.A5 | Gastrointestinal stromal tumor of rectum |
| C7A.021 | Malignant carcinoid tumor of the cecum |
| C7A.022 | Malignant carcinoid tumor of the ascending colon |
| C7A.023 | Malignant carcinoid tumor of the transverse colon |
| C7A.024 | Malignant carcinoid tumor of the descending colon |
| C7A.025 | Malignant carcinoid tumor of the sigmoid colon |
| C7A.026 | Malignant carcinoid tumor of the rectum |
| C78.5 | Secondary malignant neoplasm of large intestine and rectum |
| D01.0 | Carcinoma in situ of colon |
| D01.1 | Carcinoma in situ of rectosigmoid junction |
| D01.2 | Carcinoma in situ of rectum |
| D01.3 | Carcinoma in situ of anus and anal canal |
| D12.0 | Benign neoplasm of cecum |
| D12.1 | Benign neoplasm of appendix |
| D12.2 | Benign neoplasm of ascending colon |
| D12.3 | Benign neoplasm of transverse colon |
| D12.4 | Benign neoplasm of descending colon |
| D12.5 | Benign neoplasm of sigmoid colon |
| D12.6 | Benign neoplasm of colon, unspecified |
| D12.7 | Benign neoplasm of rectosigmoid junction |
| D12.8 | Benign neoplasm of rectum |
| D12.9 | Benign neoplasm of anus and anal canal |
| D3A.021 | Benign carcinoid tumor of the cecum |
| D3A.022 | Benign carcinoid tumor of the ascending colon |
| D3A.023 | Benign carcinoid tumor of the transverse colon |
| D3A.024 | Benign carcinoid tumor of the descending colon |
| D3A.025 | Benign carcinoid tumor of the sigmoid colon |
| D3A.026 | Benign carcinoid tumor of the rectum |
| D3A.029 | Benign carcinoid tumor of the large intestine, unspecified portion |
| D37.1 | Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of stomach |
| D37.2 | Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of small intestine |
| D37.3 | Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of appendix |
| D37.4 | Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of colon |
| D37.5 | Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of rectum |

| Code | Description |
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| D37.9 | Neoplasm of uncertain behavior of digestive organ, unspecified |
| K50.00 | Crohn's disease of small intestine without complications |
| K50.011 | Crohn's disease of small intestine with rectal bleeding |
| K50.012 | Crohn's disease of small intestine with intestinal obstruction |
| K50.013 | Crohn's disease of small intestine with fistula |
| K50.014 | Crohn's disease of small intestine with abscess |
| K50.018 | Crohn's disease of small intestine with other complication |
| K50.019 | Crohn's disease of small intestine with unspecified complications |
| K50.10 | Crohn's disease of large intestine without complications |
| K50.111 | Crohn's disease of large intestine with rectal bleeding |
| K50.112 | Crohn's disease of large intestine with intestinal obstruction |
| K50.113 | Crohn's disease of large intestine with fistula |
| K50.114 | Crohn's disease of large intestine with abscess |
| K50.118 | Crohn's disease of large intestine with other complication |
| K50.119 | Crohn's disease of large intestine with unspecified complications |
| K50.80 | Crohn's disease of both small and large intestine without complications |
| K50.811 | Crohn's disease of both small and large intestine with rectal bleeding |
| K50.812 | Crohn's disease of both small and large intestine with intestinal obstruction |
| K50.813 | Crohn's disease of both small and large intestine with fistula |
| K50.814 | Crohn's disease of both small and large intestine with abscess |
| K50.818 | Crohn's disease of both small and large intestine with other complication |
| K50.819 | Crohn's disease of both small and large intestine with unspecified complications |
| K50.90 | Crohn's disease, unspecified, without complications |
| K50.911 | Crohn's disease, unspecified, with rectal bleeding |
| K50.912 | Crohn's disease, unspecified, with intestinal obstruction |
| K50.913 | Crohn's disease, unspecified, with fistula |
| K50.914 | Crohn's disease, unspecified, with abscess |
| K50.918 | Crohn's disease, unspecified, with other complication |
| K50.919 | Crohn's disease, unspecified, with unspecified complications |
| K51.00 | Ulcerative (chronic) pancolitis without complications |
| K51.011 | Ulcerative (chronic) pancolitis with rectal bleeding |
| K51.012 | Ulcerative (chronic) pancolitis with intestinal obstruction |
| K51.013 | Ulcerative (chronic) pancolitis with fistula |
| K51.014 | Ulcerative (chronic) pancolitis with abscess |
| K51.018 | Ulcerative (chronic) pancolitis with other complication |
| K51.019 | Ulcerative (chronic) pancolitis with unspecified complications |
| K51.20 | Ulcerative (chronic) proctitis without complications |
| K51.211 | Ulcerative (chronic) proctitis with rectal bleeding |
| K51.212 | Ulcerative (chronic) proctitis with intestinal obstruction |
| K51.213 | Ulcerative (chronic) proctitis with fistula |
| K51.214 | Ulcerative (chronic) proctitis with abscess |
| K51.218 | Ulcerative (chronic) proctitis with other complication |
| K51.219 | Ulcerative (chronic) proctitis with unspecified complications |
| K51.30 | Ulcerative (chronic) rectosigmoiditis without complications |
| K51.311 | Ulcerative (chronic) rectosigmoiditis with rectal bleeding |
| K51.312 | Ulcerative (chronic) rectosigmoiditis with intestinal obstruction |
| K51.313 | Ulcerative (chronic) rectosigmoiditis with fistula |
| K51.314 | Ulcerative (chronic) rectosigmoiditis with abscess |
| K51.318 | Ulcerative (chronic) rectosigmoiditis with other complication |
| K51.319 | Ulcerative (chronic) rectosigmoiditis with unspecified complications |
| K51.40 | Inflammatory polyps of colon without complications |
| K51.411 | Inflammatory polyps of colon with rectal bleeding |
| K51.412 | Inflammatory polyps of colon with intestinal obstruction |
| K51.413 | Inflammatory polyps of colon with fistula |
| K51.414 | Inflammatory polyps of colon with abscess |
| K51.418 | Inflammatory polyps of colon with other complication |
| K51.419 | Inflammatory polyps of colon with unspecified complications |
| K51.50 | Left sided colitis without complications |

| Code | Description |
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| K51.511 | Left sided colitis with rectal bleeding |
| K51.512 | Left sided colitis with intestinal obstruction |
| K51.513 | Left sided colitis with fistula |
| K51.514 | Left sided colitis with abscess |
| K51.518 | Left sided colitis with other complication |
| K51.519 | Left sided colitis with unspecified complications |
| K51.80 | Other ulcerative colitis without complications |
| K51.811 | Other ulcerative colitis with rectal bleeding |
| K51.812 | Other ulcerative colitis with intestinal obstruction |
| K51.813 | Other ulcerative colitis with fistula |
| K51.814 | Other ulcerative colitis with abscess |
| K51.818 | Other ulcerative colitis with other complication |
| K51.819 | Other ulcerative colitis with unspecified complications |
| K51.90 | Ulcerative colitis, unspecified, without complications |
| K51.911 | Ulcerative colitis, unspecified with rectal bleeding |
| K51.912 | Ulcerative colitis, unspecified with intestinal obstruction |
| K51.913 | Ulcerative colitis, unspecified with fistula |
| K51.914 | Ulcerative colitis, unspecified with abscess |
| K51.918 | Ulcerative colitis, unspecified with other complication |
| K51.919 | Ulcerative colitis, unspecified with unspecified complications |
| K52.0 | Gastroenteritis and colitis due to radiation |
| K52.1 | Toxic gastroenteritis and colitis |
| K52.89 | Other specified noninfective gastroenteritis and colitis |
| K52.9 | Noninfective gastroenteritis and colitis, unspecified |
| K57.20 | Diverticulitis of large intestine with perforation and abscess without bleeding |
| K57.21 | Diverticulitis of large intestine with perforation and abscess with bleeding |
| K57.30 | Diverticulosis of large intestine without perforation or abscess without bleeding |
| K57.31 | Diverticulosis of large intestine without perforation or abscess with bleeding |
| K57.32 | Diverticulitis of large intestine without perforation or abscess without bleeding |
| K57.33 | Diverticulitis of large intestine without perforation or abscess with bleeding |
| K57.40 | Diverticulitis of both small and large intestine with perforation and abscess without bleeding |
| K57.41 | Diverticulitis of both small and large intestine with perforation and abscess with bleeding |
| K57.50 | Diverticulosis of both small and large intestine without perforation or abscess without bleeding |
| K57.51 | Diverticulosis of both small and large intestine without perforation or abscess with bleeding |
| K57.52 | Diverticulitis of both small and large intestine without perforation or abscess without bleeding |
| K57.53 | Diverticulitis of both small and large intestine without perforation or abscess with bleeding |
| K57.80 | Diverticulitis of intestine, part unspecified, with perforation and abscess without bleeding |
| K57.81 | Diverticulitis of intestine, part unspecified, with perforation and abscess with bleeding |
| K57.90 | Diverticulosis of intestine, part unspecified, without perforation or abscess without bleeding |
| K57.91 | Diverticulosis of intestine, part unspecified, without perforation or abscess with bleeding |
| K57.92 | Diverticulitis of intestine, part unspecified, without perforation or abscess without bleeding |
| K57.93 | Diverticulitis of intestine, part unspecified, without perforation or abscess with bleeding |
| K62.0 | Anal polyp |
| K62.1 | Rectal polyp |
| K62.6 | Ulcer of anus and rectum |
| K63.3 | Ulcer of intestine |
| K63.5 | Polyp of colon |
| Z08 | Encounter for follow-up examination after completed treatment for malignant neoplasm |
| Z09 | Encounter for follow-up examination after completed treatment for conditions other than malignant neoplasm |
| Z15.09 | Genetic susceptibility to other malignant neoplasm |
| Z80.0 | Family history of malignant neoplasm of digestive organs |
| Z83.71 | Family history of colonic polyps |
| Z85.00 | Personal history of malignant neoplasm of unspecified digestive organ |
| Z85.038 | Personal history of other malignant neoplasm of large intestine |
| Z85.048 | Personal history of other malignant neoplasm of rectum, rectosigmoid junction, and anus |
| Z85.05 | Personal history of malignant neoplasm of liver |
| Z86.010 | Personal history of colonic polyps |
| Z87.19 | Personal history of other diseases of the digestive system |

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Revision History Information

| Revision History Date | Revision History Number | Revision History Explanation |
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| 09/26/2017 | R8 | Based on CMS Transmittal No. 3848, Publication 100-04, <i>Medicare Claims Processing Manual</i> , Change Request #10199, August 25, 2017, the article was revised to reflect changes to the national language regarding HCPCS code G0464 and CPT code 81528. |
| 10/01/2016 | R7 | Add Bill Type Code 14X which is only applicable for non-patient laboratory specimens. Based on CMS Transmittal 1792, Publication 100-20 One-Time Notification, Change Request #9861, February 3, 2017, ICD-10-CM codes C49.A3, C49.A4 and C49.A5 were added to Group 2 with coverage retroactive for dates of service on or after October 1, 2016. ICD-10-CM code Z12.10 was moved from Group 2 to Group 1. |
| 10/01/2016 | R6 | Due to the annual ICD-10-CM code update for 2017, ICD-10-CM code K52.2 was deleted from Group 2 of the "ICD-10-CM Codes that Support Medical Necessity" section of the article. |
| 05/01/2016 | R5 | Based on CMS Transmittal 1630, Publication 100-20 One-Time Notification, Change Request #9540, February 26, 2016, added 42 ICD-10-CM codes which were inadvertently removed with Change Request #9252 with coverage retroactive for dates of service on or after October 1, 2015. |
| 01/01/2016 | R4 | Corrected the Bill Type Codes to align with CMS Publication 100-04, <i>Medicare Claims Processing Manual</i> , Chapter 18, Section 60.6. Minor template language changes made. |
| 10/01/2015 | R3 | HCPCS code G0464 was deleted on December 31, 2015 and replaced with CPT code 81528 for dates of service on or after January 1, 2016 in the "Article Text" and "CPT/HCPCS Codes" sections. |
| 10/01/2015 | R2 | Based on a provider request, ICD-10-CM code Z08 was added to the "Covered ICD-10-CM Codes" section. Based on CMS Transmittal No. 1537, Publication 100-20 One-Time Notification, Change Request #9252, August 21, 2015, additional ICD-10-CM codes have been included in the "Covered ICD-10-CM Codes" section. ICD-10-CM codes from Groups 3 and 4 have been merged into Group 2. |
| 10/01/2015 | R1 | Based on CMS Transmittal No. 3319, Publication 100-04, <i>Medicare Claims Processing Manual</i> , Change Request #9115, August 6, 2015, the article was revised to reflect additions and changes to the national language. Removed place of service coding guidelines. Due to the annual HCPCS update for 2015, HCPCS code G0464 was added to the "CPT/HCPCS Codes" section. HCPCS code G0464 was added to the following coding guidelines: Claims for colorectal cancer screening services (CPT code 82270 and HCPCS codes G0104, G0105, G0106-26, G0120-26, G0121, G0328, G0328-QW and G0464) are payable under Medicare Part B in the following places of service: office (11), urgent care facility (20), outpatient hospital (22), hospital emergency room (23), ambulatory surgical center (24), skilled nursing facility (31), nursing facility (32) and independent clinic (49). NOTE: HCPCS codes G0105 and G0121 are allowed a facility fee when performed in an ambulatory surgical center (24). |

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Claims for codes 82270, G0328, G0328-QW and G0464 are also payable under Medicare Part B in the following places of service: federally qualified health center (50), independent laboratory (81) and rural health clinic (72).

Based on CMS Transmittal No. 3146, Publication 100-04, *Medicare Claims Processing Manual*, Change Request #8874, December 11, 2014, the following requirement was added:

Effective January 1, 2015, anesthesia professionals who furnish a separately payable anesthesia service (CPT code 00810) in conjunction with a screening colonoscopy shall include the following on the claim for the services that qualify for the waiver of coinsurance and deductible:

- Modifier 33 – Preventive Services: when the primary purpose of the service is the delivery of an evidence based service in accordance with a USPSTF A or B rating in effect and other preventive services identified in preventive services mandates (legislative or regulatory), the service may be identified by adding 33 to the procedure. For separately reported services specifically identified as preventive, the modifier should not be used.

Based on CMS Transmittal No. 3096, Publication 100-04, *Medicare Claims Processing Manual*, Change Request #8881, October 17, 2014, the following requirement was revised to include a physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist:

This screening requires a written order from the beneficiary's attending physician, or effective for dates of service on or after January 27, 2014, the beneficiary's attending physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical nurse specialist.

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