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Nebraska Health Care Providers,

910 Nebraska men and women will be diagnosed with colon cancer this year. Help us reach our goal to screen as many Nebraskans (men and women) for colon cancer.

The Nebraska Colon Cancer Program continues to help men and woman 50 years of age and older make decisions about colon cancer screening. Services include fecal occult blood test (FOBT) and colonoscopy. Your patients can fill out an enrollment form or call 1-800-532-2227 to receive an enrollment form.

NEW! Clients who report having rectal bleeding within the last 30 days are not eligible for screening under the Federal Program. Additional dollars have become available to the program through State funding. The NCP's Medical Advisory Committee has agreed that patients with rectal bleed should be evaluated for colon cancer screening.

To receive a diagnostic colonoscopy through the program, clients reporting rectal bleeding currently or within the last 30 days must complete a program enrollment form and be evaluated by their primary physician as being appropriate to receive colonoscopy. Reimbursable costs for your patient can include an office visit with primary provider, consultation with endoscopist, and diagnostic colonoscopy if deemed to be appropriate.

All questions can be referred to Patti Schumann at 402-471-8691.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures