COLON CANCER Enrollment and Screening

NEBRASKA COLON CANCER SCREENING PROGRAM

Where to Begin

- A Healthy Lifestyle Questionnaire (HLQ) is required to be filled out yearly for each client.
- The HLQ should be returned to the Women's and Men's Health Program for approval <u>PRIOR</u> to service.
- Incomplete forms will be returned and possibly delay screening.

Healthy Lifestyle Questionnaire

Please fill out this form. Filling out this form will help Every Woman Matters (EWM) and the Nebraska Colon Cancer Screening Program (NCP) determine what services are best for you.

Even if you are not able to get services, you can still get health education.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- You must NOT have health insurance that would pay for preventive services.
- Please answer ALL questions. If you don't we will call you or send the form back to you and this could delay
 important health screenings.
- Please PRINT clearly. Use a black or blue ink pen. Do not use pencil.
- This is NOT your screening card. Please do <u>not</u> make an appointment with your health care provider until you get a Screening Card.
- After you send this to EWM/NCP, it will be reviewed to see what screenings you are eligible for. This usually takes up to 2 weeks.
- Once the program determines what screenings you are eligible for, a Screening Card and this HLQ, will be returned in the mail so that you can take them to your appointment to give to your healthcare provider.

WHAT YOUR PROVIDER NEEDS TO KNOW:

- Screenings were determined based upon the HLQ submitted to EWM/NCP.
- This HLQ was mailed back to the client with a Screening Card. Client was instructed to bring the form so you
 can discuss benefits of healthy lifestyle behaviors.
- Clinics may keep the HLQ as a part of the client chart, if so desired.

Thank you for taking time for your health!









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Obtaining Healthy Lifestyle Questionnaires

- Online enrollment (English and Spanish) are available at dhhs.ne.gov/ewm by clicking the "Enroll Now" button.
- Clients may request a HLQ via mail by calling 1-800-532-2227 and leaving a message on the enrollment line. HLQs are mailed daily.
- ► HLQ's can be downloaded by going to dhhs.ne.gov/ewmforms

How Eligibility for Services is Determined



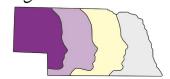
Eligibility criteria to receive services allowed through NCP is based on:

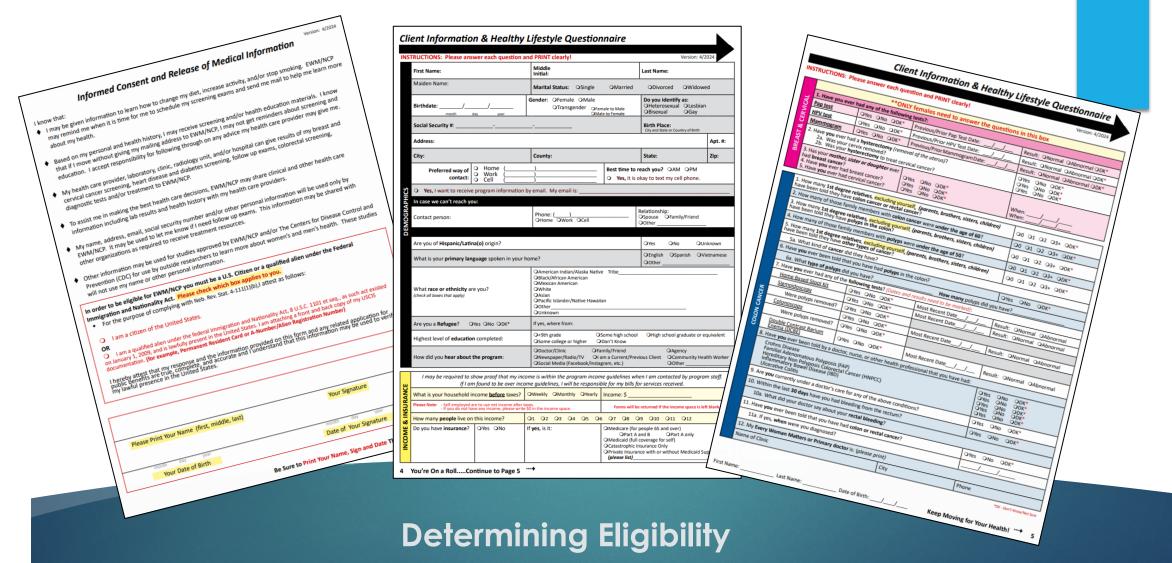
- ✓ Age
- Personal and Family Health History
- ✓ Client Self-Reported Screening History
- Previous screening history documented through NCP
- Recommendations made by the EWM/NCP Medical Advisory Committee

In the event that the client incorrectly self-reported or the provider believes that they are at increased risk and should be screened for a service deemed ineligible, please contact NCP at 1-800-532-2227

Program Eligibility

Every Woman Matters





Information gathered from the client's HLQ will be used to determine whether or not they will be eligible for services and when it is appropriate for them to be screened.

Who is Eligible



Uninsured Clients ages 45-74



United States Residents



Income Eligible

Who is Eligible – Uninsured Clients



Uninsured Clients ages 45-74

In order to be eligible, screening clients must <u>not</u> have other health coverage that will pay for preventive services.

- Clients with Private Health Insurance, Medicare Part B or Medicaid are <u>not eligible</u> for screening services if their coverage includes preventive services.
- If their plan does not cover preventive services, they will need to send a copy of their insurance policy with their HLQ for consideration.

Who is Eligible – United States Residents



United States Residents

Must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States.

Clients must comply with Neb. Rev. Stat. §§4-108 through §§4-114, being either a US citizen or Qualified Alien under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act.

- Qualified Aliens must submit a front and back copy of their Permanent Resident Card with their application.
 - Their status will be checked in the Federal SAVE System before program approval.
 - Passports, Work VISA's, etc. are not sufficient proof of residency for this program.

Who is Eligible – Income Guidelines



Income Guidelines

Eligible clients must be within 250% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

Current income guidelines

Household income is self-reported. No verification or documentation of income is required. Enrolling clients report their gross annual income before deductions. All persons living in the same house and being supported by the income are to be included in the number of people in the household. All income coming into the home that supports the household is to be counted.

- > Those with farm incomes or non-farm self-employment are asked to record the amount of net income after business deductions.
- If the client has no income, it is still required to report as "0" to avoid a delay in processing.

Other Factors that Determine Eligibility

The HLQ will be reviewed by NCP Staff to determine most effective screening test, according to the guidelines developed by the EWM/NCP Medical Advisory Council.

Factors taken into consideration include:



Personal History



Family History

Determining Eligibility – Personal History



Personal History

The following screening tests may be determined based on the client's personal history

Education and Referral to the Primary Healthcare Provider

- Clients under the age of 45 that complete and submit the Healthy Lifestyle Questionnaire
- Clients age 45-74
 - Symptomatic with rectal bleeding
 - Previous diagnosis of Crohn's disease, Ulcerative Colitis, Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD), Familial Adenomatous Polyposis (FAP), and/or Hereditary Non Polyposis Colorectal Cancer (HNPCC)

At Home Screening Test (FIT Kit)

- Clients age 45-74 who have not been screened with:
 - Colonoscopy in last 10 years.
 - Fecal Occult Blood Test (FOBT) in last 12 months.
 - Sigmoidoscopy in last 5 years.
 - Double Contrast Barium Enema (DCBE) within the last 5 years.
- Clients must be asymptomatic

Colonoscopy

Clients over the age of 45 previously diagnosed with Colon or rectal cancer

Determining Eligibility – Family History



Family History

The following screening tests may be determined based on the client's personal history

Education and Referral to the Primary Healthcare Provider

- Clients age 45-74
 - 2 or more 1st degree relatives diagnosed with colon cancer under the age of 60 will be referred for hereditary evaluation for colon cancer.
 - Hereditary Non Polyposis Colorectal Cancer (HNPCC) or Familial Adenomatous Polyposis (FAP)

At Home Screening Test (FIT Kit)

Clients age 45-74 with 0 or 1 1st degree relative diagnosed over the age of 60 with colon cancer or colon polyps

Colonoscopy

- Clients age 45-74 with
 - 1 1st degree relative diagnosed with colon cancer under the age of 60
 - 2 or more 1st degree relatives over the age of 60 diagnosed with colon cancer
 - 1 or more 1st degree relatives diagnosed under the age of 50 with colon polyps
 - 2 or more 1st degree relatives over age 50 with colon polyps

Frequently Asked Questions

NCP FAQ

- What if a client under the age of 45 needs a home based screening test or colonoscopy?

 If the client is under the age of 45, they are not eligible to enroll or to receive services under the Nebraska Colon Cancer Screening Program (NCP).
- Are there instructions on how to do the FIT Kit?
 Yes, there are instructions included with each FIT Kit. There are also instructions featured on our website in English and in Spanish on how to do the FIT Kit.
- I have a client who needs a FIT Kit. How do I go about getting one for them?
 On the website there is a FIT Kit Request Form that anyone 45 and older can fill out in order to request a Fit Kit.
 Once a request is received a kit will either be mailed out from the central office or the request will be sent to the region in which the client is from if there is an active health department so that the health department can take an active role in that community members health.
- Does NCP help men or women who live in another state? Individuals who are not a Nebraska resident (even though they may have a primary care provider in Nebraska) are not eligible to enroll in the Nebraska Colon Cancer Screening Program.

Additional questions?

Contact an Nebraska Colon Cancer Screening Program representative:

Women's & Men's Health Programs

1-800-532-2227 toll free

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