

SNAPSHOT

A quick look at tips, tools, and updates for CRC Screening improvement



No matter your age, there are five steps you can take to avoid developing colon cancer. [Source](#)

Eat your veggies and healthy fats

Get moving

Watch your weight

Limit alcohol and don't smoke

Follow screening guidelines

SHOUT-OUTS

Congratulations to the following clinics for meeting their 2024 Screening Goals!

- **CliniCare** (Cavalier, ND): 104.11% of goal reached
- **Towner County Medical Center** (Cando, ND) : 104.87% of goal reached
- **St. Luke's Crosby Clinic**: 109.39% of goal reached

Thank you to all clinics who completed the Screenshot Evaluation Survey! **Unity Medical Center, UND Center for Family Medicine, Towner County Medical Center, Spirit Lake Health Center, Southwest Healthcare Services, South Central Health, SMP Health – St. Kateri, Quentin N. Burdick Memorial Health Care Facility, Mountrail County Medical Clinic, Jacobson Memorial Clinics, St. Luke's - Crosby Clinic, CliniCare**

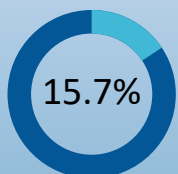
CURRENT STATS FOR SCREEND TEAMS (COMBINED)

7,510

New patients Screenshot (45-75 years)



Screening Improvement 50-75 year age group



Screening Improvement 45-49 year age group

NDCRC SI REMINDER

How to add NDCRC SI Coverage into the EHR

- Enter NDCRC SI coverage as a secondary insurance
- BCBS ND is the carrier
- The patient is the subscriber
- Group number is 10279927 (this is the same for all the patients in this program)
- Program name in BCBS is: ND Colorectal Cancer Screening Initiative IND E1D ECH ESP FAM

HEALTH EQUITY

“What Happens when I call 9-8-8?” Have you ever wondered what happens when you call the [988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline](#)? FirstLink has partnered with [ND Health and Human Services](#) to host several FREE webinars in 2025 to build awareness of the services provided on the 988 Lifeline. Visit www.myfirstlink.org/trainings to learn more or register for one of the webinars.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Behind the Screen: A First Look at the Cologuard Plus™ Test
Multiple Dates and Times: Jan 14-16, Jan 21-23, Jan 28-30
[Register](#)

“What happens when I call 9-8-8?”

Join FirstLink for a 1-hour webinar to learn more about FirstLink, the center responsible for answering the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline and 211 Information & Referral Helpline. This presentation will provide information on 988 and 211, as well as how you can help connect those in need with our services in a compassionate, nonjudgmental manner.

Dates: January 15, 2025 - 11a-12p
February 13, 2025 - 11a-12p
March 25, 2025 - 5p-6p

[Register at myfirstlink.org/trainings!](http://www.myfirstlink.org/trainings)

This effort is associated with North Dakota's State Suicide Prevention Program, funded by the ND Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Behavioral Health Division (BHD). If you have any questions or concerns, reach out to our outreach team at outreach@myfirstlink.org



NEWS

Why are More Cancers Being Diagnosed at a Young Age?

Cristina Ferrario | Sept 24, 2024 | Medscape Nurses BARCELONA, Spain — Over three decades, from 1990 to 2019, the global incidence of early-onset cancer (EOC) **increased by 79.1%**. Irit Ben-Aharon, MD, PhD, from the Rambam Health Care Campus in Haifa, Israel, presented this alarming figure during her [keynote lecture](#) at the [European Society for Medical Oncology \(ESMO\) Annual Meeting 2024](#). The session featured Shuji Ogino, MD, PhD, from Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

The available data suggested that we are facing a true epidemic that the international oncology community can no longer ignore. [Read more...](#)

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