

# Collaborative Quality Improvement Plan Change Concepts and Change Ideas

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## Overall access to preventative care

Percentage of screen eligible patients up to date with cervical screening / Percentage of screen eligible patients up to date with breast cancer screening / Percentage of screen eligible patients up to date with colorectal cancer screening.

### About the Indicators

Cancer screening is an important component of preventative care and a focus for many Ontario Health Teams. According to statistics gathered by Ontario Health, almost a million fewer colorectal cancer, breast cancer, and cervical screenings were conducted between March and December of 2020 than were carried out through the same stretch in 2019.

### Key Resources

Engage your Regional Primary Care Lead for support with cancer screening and sign up for the Provincial Primary Care and Cancer Network newsletter for regular cancer screening updates. Contact [PrimaryCareInquiries@ontariohealth.ca](mailto:PrimaryCareInquiries@ontariohealth.ca) for more information.



### Change concept 1: Redesign your system and leverage digital health solutions

Map your local processes with provincial pathway maps to build best practices for the management of patients

- [Breast Cancer Screening & Diagnosis Pathway Map](#) (English only)
- [Cervical Cancer Prevention & Screening Pathway Map](#) (English only)
- [Colorectal Cancer Screening Pathway Map](#) (English only)

For attached patients, develop electronic medical report (EMR) reminder systems like Ocean to recall patients due for cancer screening using reports such as [MyPractice: Primary Care](#) and the [Screening Activity Report](#). Consider patient preference such as language and method of

communication (e.g., email, text, and phone). Add health promotion messages in reminders. Integrate with online appointment booking systems

- [Useful Resources on Prevention and Screening](#)—OntarioMD (English only)



### Change concept 2: Education and training

- Review [GUIDELINES & ADVICE Screening Resources for Healthcare Providers](#) with providers to decrease variation in practice



### Change concept 3: Engage patients

Provide patients with information about cancer screening. Integrate health promotion into reminder systems and scheduled visits

- For more information on screening, link patients to [My CancerIQ](#) and [Get Checked for Cancer](#)
- For more information on cervical screening, link patients to [Cervical Screening](#) and [Ontario Cervical Screening Program](#)
- For more information on breast screening, link patients to [Screening for Breast Cancer](#)
- For more information on colon cancer screening, link patients to [Screening for Colorectal Cancer](#) and [ColonCancerCheck](#)

For patients without a primary care provider (unattached), prepare materials at points of entry into the system for self-referrals

- [Health811](#) (call 811 [TTY: 1-866-797-007] or use the live chat at [ontario.ca/health811](https://ontario.ca/health811)) to access the free ColonCancerCheck fecal immunochemical test (FIT) kit to screen for colon cancer or to find a clinic that does cervical screening
- [Ontario Breast Screening Program Locations](#) (patients can self-refer)
- For Indigenous-led health centres, link patients to [Association of Family Health Teams of Ontario](#)