



Cancer screening quality improvement readiness tool



Area: Cancer screening change readiness

Yes/No/Unsure

Action/Comment

There is an active focus on cancer screening (breast, bowel and cervical)

Breast:
Bowel:
Cervical:

(e.g. discussed at practice meetings, reminder/recall systems, nominated clinician champions)

Breast:
Bowel:
Cervical:

You/your practice currently provide screening services and reminders as per clinical guidelines

Breast:
Bowel:
Cervical:

Your practice uses data to identify under-screened and at-risk patients

Breast:
Bowel:
Cervical:

Review high-risk and under-screened populations at your practice. (See Module 4 for more information on at-risk populations).

Breast:
Bowel:
Cervical:

Clinicians have indicated if they would like to access education and training in relation to cancer screening

Breast:
Bowel:
Cervical:



Area: General practice systems

Yes/No/Unsure

Action/Comment

You/your practice use a standard Family History template, inclusive of cancer history (See Module 3 for more information)

The 'New patient form' requests consent for reminders (including cancer screening and SMS)

The practice has a standard list for coding (labelling) of cancer screening recalls and reminders that all staff comply with (See Module 2 for more information)

Breast:
Bowel:
Cervical:

The practice manages cancer screening results, recalls and reminders in a way that allows for data extraction (See Module 2 for more information)

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✓	Area: General practice systems	Yes/No/Unsure	Action/Comment
	Regular data cleaning activities are undertaken to establish up-to-date lists (registers) of patients eligible for screening <i>(See Module 2 for more information)</i>	Breast: Bowel: Cervical:	
	Practice software is used for actions/prompts for the GP/nurse to ask about routine cancer screening	Breast: Bowel: Cervical:	
	There are policies and procedures in place that include reminders and recalls for cancer screening <i>(See Module 5 for more information)</i>		
	The practice sends targeted reminders to patients (e.g. letters, SMS, email or phone calls) for routine cancer screening <i>(See Module 3 for more information)</i>	Breast: Bowel: Cervical:	
	Reminders are compliant with health literacy principles <i>(See Module 4 for more information)</i>		
	The practice has sought patient input into barriers and opportunities for improving participation in cancer screening <i>(See Module 4 for more information)</i>		
	You have a documented workflow to manage and monitor cancer screening in your practice, and designated roles have been allocated in workflows? <i>(See Module 3 for more information)</i>	Breast: Bowel: Cervical:	
	Clinicians receive National Bowel Cancer Screening Program iFOBT results electronically through Sonic Healthcare? <i>(See Module 2 for more information)</i>		
	Clinicians contact the National Cancer Screening Register to access information about their patients' cervical screening test history and reminders by calling 1800 627 701 <i>(See Module 2 for more information)</i>		
	Clinicians access clinical guidelines, assessment, management and referral information and patient information for cancer screening	Breast: Bowel: Cervical:	