

Brief Colorectal Cancer Risk Assessment

Review the following 4 questions and share the answers with your doctor. Answering “yes” to any of the 4 questions changes your options for colorectal cancer screening. Yearly, review your personal and family health and medical history. Be sure to report any changes to your doctor.

Question 1: Do you have at least one family member diagnosed with colorectal cancer (CRC) or adenomatous polyps?

Question 2: Have you experienced rectal bleeding, noticed blood in your stool, or any other CRC related symptoms?

Question 3: Do you have a history of pre-cancerous polyps from a prior colonoscopy?

Question 4: Have you ever had a positive take home stool test?

Disclaimer: *These questions were developed by the Colorectal Cancer Prevention Network based upon peer review of scientific journals. The questions are designed to provide a simple tool to medical staff and patients alike to facilitate discussion related CRC risk assessment and determining the appropriate CRC screening modality. These questions may not consider all increased and high-risk criteria and may not reflect guidelines published after the date of this publication (January 2022).*

