

To: IEHP Covered (CCA) PCPs

From: IEHP – Quality Programs

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Subject: 2026 Covered California Quality Transformation Program – Updates

We are pleased to announce that the following two NEW core measures were added to the 2026 Covered California Quality Transformation Program Guide:

1. Colorectal Cancer Screening (COL-E)
2. Depression Screening and Follow-Up for Adolescents and Adults (DSF-E)

Two New Core Measures!

1. Colorectal Cancer Screening*

Measure Overview: Assesses the percentage of Members ages 45-75 who complete an appropriate colorectal cancer screening.

Approved Screening Methods:

- Providers may use any of the following to meet the screening requirement within designated timeframes.
 - Fecal occult blood testing
 - Flexible sigmoidoscopy
 - Colonoscopy
 - CT colonography
 - Stool DNA test with FIT

2. Depression Screening and Follow-Up for Adolescents and Adults*

Measure Overview: Evaluates the percentage of Members aged 12 and older who receive a standardized depression screening and, if the result is positive, receive follow-up care within the 2026 measurement year.

Approved Screening Methods:

- Use approved standardized screening tools listed in the 2026 Covered California Quality Transformation Program guide: www.providerservices.iehp.org/en-programs_and_services-provider-incentive_programs-pay_for_performance_program.

*** Note:** Both COL-E and DSF-E measures will be monitored only during the 2026 performance year. Please refer to the 2026 Covered California Quality Transformation Program Guide for full details.

We encourage your office to review the program guide to maximize your efforts in the 2026 Covered California Quality Transformation Program (QTP) for PCPs.

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